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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 101

1. Date 18 February 1948
2. Time 5:01 P.M.
3. Location Norcatur, Kansas
4. Name of observer M. R. Krehbiel account (taken from newspaper)
5. Occupation of observer Editor
6. Address of observer Norton, Kansas
7. Place of observation Norcatur, Kansas
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 30 - 35 miles above earth
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound One big explosion - "afterwards a lot of little explosions"
16. Size N/S
17. Color Bluish-white smoke smudge
18. Shape Mushroom
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction Meteor
21. Exhaust trails ~~None~~ Bluish-white smoke smudge
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs Photo of vapor trail left in sky by explosion
25. Manner of disappearance Disintegration
26. Remarks: Oscar Monnig, of the Texas Observers, Amateur Astronomy, 1010 Morningside Drive, Ft. Worth, offers "tangible proof that the fireball

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of February 18 over northern Kansas was just that, inasmuch as meteorites have been recovered from it." There were found, beginning April 24, first several smaller fragments up to one of 4 1/2 pounds. Then a disturbed spot in a clover field led to the digging up of a piece of some 109 pounds embedded about two feet in the soil. The stone is what is termed as an "achondrite", a technical name for an unusual type of stony meteorite. It is reported to be of a type which will deteriorate rapidly.

A photograph of the trail of the meteor, made by amateur photographer Duane W. Wray of Norton, shows the vapor trail left in the sky by the explosion of a meteor which was seen in Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska. It was made at Wray's home, nine miles north of Norton, just four minutes after the meteor exploded. A smudge of blue-white smoke remained in the sky for an hour February 18th. This photograph is in file under Incident #101.

Further remarks are contained in supplement.

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EXHIBIT B

Statement taken from Leland Sammons

My name is Leland Sammons, and I live on a farm 14 miles west of Stockton and 1 mile north, off US 24.

On February 18 at about 5 P.M., I was standing near my hog-pen about 100' east of my house, when I heard the pheasants raising a disturbance and the chickens all rushed to the chicken-house. I looked around toward the house to see what was causing it and saw something hovering just above the house. I ran towardthe house, and it then lowered over the north end of the house and settled toward the ground. I was then very near it, approximately 6' when it stopped about level with my face, and just wobbled around for an instant, fire belching out of it and sucking back in. The thing was about 4' long, shaped something like a funnel. There was a pipe sticking out the back of it, and once as it wobbled around, the pipe was sticking right at my belly. Suddenly there was a lot of sparks showered from it, and the fire increased as if a fuse might have lighted, and it took off in a north-westerly direction very fast, gaining altitude as it went. My wife heard it leave and ran out where I stood, and we watched it go, leaving a trail of smoke all the way. Suddenly there was a great cloud of smoke in the sky, not more than 40 seconds after it left my yard, and in a few seconds or more, we heard an explosion. I then stepped off from my house to where it had been, and it was five steps. Yes, it was hot, I could feel the hear from it. Had I not been washing my car prior to the occurrence, wetting the ground, there would have been a bare spot in the yard where the thing started up because there was a great rush of fire from it when it left. It must have been quite high when it exploded.

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Kenneth Hays, son of Floyd Hays, 14 miles east of Norton on US 36, at the Jct. of K-60, south side of highway. At about 5 to 5:30 P.M., not sure of time, was riding his horse in a pasture, when he heard something queer in the sky. Looking up to the south-west, he saw what appeared to him to be a rocket, just like he had seen during the war in Europe. It startled him, and he jumped off the horse. He then remounted, watched its course, almost on a level but losing altitude a little, and it then exploded with a big cloud of smoke, apparently over Norton, from where he was, south of Prairie View. He rode on toward home a ways, when suddenly the sound and jar of the explosion reached him. Mrs. Hays was home in the house, when she heard and felt something like a truck might have struck the house. She ran out of the house and then first saw the huge cloud of smoke. About 40 minutes later, a part of the smoke cloud dirfted directly over their house, and went on east over Phillipsburg.

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Ralph New, postmaster at Norcatur, stated that at about 4:50 P.M. he was standing just inside the front window of the postoffice in Norcatur, when he observed a blinding flash as if someone had taken a flashlight picture. He could locate no one with a camera, but noticed several men walking to the center of the street and looking up. He then walked out to where they were and looking up, saw a high cloud of smoke in the sky almost directly overhead

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323 W. Tenth St.,
Pueblo, Colorado
February 20, 1948

Office of the Chief of Staff
U. S. Army
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Explosion in the sky near Norcatur, Kans. 4:00 p.m. (MST) February 18, 1948

Purpose: To call attention to some peculiarities in connection, whether coincidental or not

According to an AP bulletin appearing in the Pueblo CHIEFTAIN for February 18, 1948, some object was seen moving eastward across the sky on the late afternoon of February 18th, and when this thing reached a position approximate to Norcatur, Kansas, exploded, or disrupted, or disappeared. The explosion is said to have been terrific.

Directions given as to the progress of this appearance indicate that it moved from west to east.

Information contained in the dispatch under a Denver dateline indicate that while many would call this object a bolide - e.g., exploding meteor - the astronomers of Chamberlin Observatory (Denver) did not so assess it: it is said in the dispatch that these officials could offer no explanation of it.

If this is the case, the apparance is anomalous, and may lend itself to other meteoric explanation.

A sketch-diagram of the earth and moon's orbit reveals a peculiarity in connection with the appearance, which may be significant.

If a line is stricken at right-angles across the meridional position of the site of explosion of this meteor at hour angle four o'clock (local time) and this line be considered the west-to-east course of the object, then it will be seen that if this line is continued outward into space toward the orbit of the moon it will intersect the lunar orbit at a place near to where the moon would be at from 80 to one hundred hours after the explosion took place.

New moon occurred at 9 D 10 H 2 M February; First Quarter at 17D 8H M. February -- the moon moves approximately 12.5 degrees per day along its orbit.

It is held by rocketry experts (example, WILLY LEY - see his ROCKETS, p. 192, diagram and note in connection therewith) that it would take about 100 hours for a rocket-craft to negotiate the distance from Earth to Moon.

Prior to its explosion over Norcatur, this object of Feb. 18th was variously reported as a "falling plane", a "jet plane", and a "ball of fire". It is said by some to have left a trail of smoke behind it.

It is the suggestion of this writer that the Army collect and assimilate reports on this object, with a view to determining where it was seen as an object trailing smoke and where as a ball of fire.

If this thing is a rocket of some kind headed for the moon, it might first have been seen as a streak of smoke, then later as a ball of fire, and lastly as a tremendous explosion when it at last reached sufficient speed and elevation for take-off.

The writer has in mind the various and unexplained reports on "flying saucers", and bases this speculation upon a long consideration of various oddments of reports whose significance might be of space-craft from other worlds of space.

The so-called "meteoric procession" which crossed Toronto in February 1913, consisted of a number of groups of illimunated bodies traveling in groups of three and moving in "rigid formation", all pursuing a course across the same streak of the earth's surface. If a line is projected backward along this line of flight it will be seen that this line "comes out" at the position of the moon at the time. The 1913 phenomenon occurred in the mid-period of a series of reports on dirigible aircraft of appearance like zeppelins which were seen over England and whose appearance terminated - or reports on the appearances stopped - just prior to the inferior conjunction of Venus of April 24, 1913.

The writer begs to call attention to the fact that the times prior to and just after inferior conjunction of Venus are prolific in reports of strange things seen in the sky.

Also that lights have been reported on the moon from time to time, back for at least a century.

If in the future of military experiment the moon is selected as a base for the launching of rockets (which has been suggested by some writers), it may be well to look first

into reports like this one on the explosion over Norcatur and the direction of the object involved.

There is a possibility, however remote this may seem, that the moon is either inhabited or in use by other than human beings.

Yours,

/s/ NORMAN GARRETT MARKHAM

It may do not harm to watch the moon for possible arrival of this thing in the quarter at 80 to 100 hours after "its Departure".
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FILE REF: - SIGGE-M-1

March 14, 1948

From: Norman G. Markham
MAIN HOTEL, Pueblo, Colo

To: Chief Signal Officer
U. S. Army, Washington, D.C.

Subject: Norcatur, Kans., sky explosion of 18 February, 1948

Purpose: To show a speculation regarding the above phenomenon and another one of earlier date and to call attention to occurrences between the two which have an appearance of relationship whether coincidental or not.

The geographical position of the Norcatur explosion suggests possible linkage with other occurrences happening inside latitudinal limits arbitrarily demarkable between 43° 36' North (which is the latitude of Boise, Idaho) and 36° 10' North (the latitude of Nashville, Tenn.), a belt about 485 miles wide.

This suggestion is gained from positions given for occurrences happening between June 24, 1947 and February 18, 1948, as shall be hereinafter briefly described.

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THE BOISE (Idaho) OBJECT--This was seen either beginning or ending at 330 pm 24 June 1947 and was visible for 20 minutes. It was in the western sky, was of comet-like appearance, and settled gradually toward the horizon as planetary bodies set. It was seen by Lt. Gov. Whitehead and Chief Justice Lampert. Its nature was unknown.

The peculiarity which connects this object, for speculative purposes, with the explosion of some unknown object over Norcatur, Kans., on 18 February 1948 is the seeming of a relationship between the positions of the moon for the two phenomena:

In the former case the moon was at the date of phenomenon, about 7%, 63 before the positionof First Quarter; on the second case it was about 8%.73 beyond the position of first quarter.

Since the Boise object was visible for 20 minutes before it sank this argues it was about ten degrees above the horizon when first seen. Now if a line be drawn westward and at ten degrees zenithward from the

horizon of Boise at 3:30 p.m. and another line be drawn from the position of the moon at one hundred hours before the sighting of the Boise object, and projected to the center of the earth, it will be seen that this ten-degrees-altitude and the moon-earth line intersect as a place far above a geographical position considerably to the west of Cape Blance, in the neighborhoodof about 700 miles off the coast.

The Boise object in its appearance suggests a rocket-type of craft possibly using reaction blasts to brake itself down for a landing on the earth. The bright point and plumy tail of the description suggest this, as also its apparent fixity in space.

HOLLE'S "SHIP IN FLAMES" -- Nine days after the sighting of the Boise object a forest lookout named Earl Holle saw at or soon after 4:00 p.m., 3rd July, 1947, something he took to be a "tanker in flames". This was seen horizon-ward from a point in Sonoma County, California, near to Fort Ross. A search was instituted by the Navy or Coast Guard, and nothing was found. The soviet tanker ELBRUZ, which had been in the vicinity, was queried and found to be all right. This was not explained.

If this apperance had been on the horizon, there is no telling how far it may have been from the observer.

CAPE MENDOCINO BLIMP INCIDENT -- Not far from the location of Holle's "burning ship" an accident occurred to a navy blimp, 14 July 1947, off Cape Mendocino.

This blimp suddenly settled into the water, slipped out its crew and rose again.

The anomaly here is that one would not expect to find drastic down-drafts of such violence as to thus upset a lighter than air craft. Possibly a downdraft accounted for the accident - but if the Signal Officer will look up the incident of the British steamer Talma which, at the time of the sighting of a luminous wheel-like phenomenon in the Gulf of Martaban, reported a slowing of the engines from some unknown cause, it may be seen that possibly forces are generated in some manner by certain unknown objects at times in the ocean, which may have physical attraction for material objects. This blimp accident occurring in waters where occurred other phenomena shortly to be mentioned, seems to have a doubtful side to it.

THE OAKLAND OBJECT -- Early on the morning of 13th October, 1947, a photographer named Ben Dobus togehter with a taxidriver named A. J. Goldman saw a thing "that looked like Saturn with a ring around it." It shot at terrific speed WESTWARD across the sky of the Bay area, and was seen shortly after midnight.

This may have been heading in the general direction of what may have been the goal of two later objects which roughly resemble it in description.

THE TICONDEROGA OBJECTS -- According to the tanker Ticonderoga's second officer, two "flying discs" were seen heading SOUTHWEST when the ship was in 43 degrees fifteen minutes north and 124 degrees 54 minutes west, at 0620 GCT, 12th November 1947.

These may have been heading for the object seen in the Pacific off the Golden Gate, not long afterward - or possibly at the same time, if earlier reports on this are consulted.

THE PHANTOM REEF — On November 24, 1947, the Navy denied that it had found a phantom reef or other obstruction to navigation at a point about 400 miles west of San Francisco. The Navay Survey ship MAURY, sent out there in response to reports of ships that some hugh object had been seen in the water in that neighborhood, reported that when in the approximate l titude and longitude of the supposed obstruction they picked up an echo from something in the water 1600 yards from the ship; but that when they had steamed to within 400 yards of this, the echo vanished.

There seems a possible connectability between the various elements so far considered.

Later on January 7, 1948, there were occurrences in the neighborhood of Wilmington, O., Ft. Knox, Ky., Franklin, Ky., and Nashville, Tenn., all of which must be now familiar to the archivists of the Signal Office.

Something like a "flying disc" was pursued by one Lt. Mantell and two other pilots, Mantel being killed while in the process of attempting to gain altitude to get close to whatever it was he was chasing.

Also, in this connection, it may not be amiss to mention the deaths of two military officers who were said to have been bringing back material evidence from "flying discs" one of which was said to have met with some kind of accident over Maury Island, Puget Sound, around June, 1947.

It will be seen on inspection that the geographical locales of these incidents fit inside the belt of latitudes hereinbefore mentioned.

THE NORCATUR EXPLOSION was described in a previous letter of this writer, and it was shown in that letter that a line tangential to the meridian of Norcatur, Kans., at hour-angle 2:20 p.m., would if continued outward into space to the orbit of the moon, intersect the moon's orbit at a point where the moon would have been at about 100 hours after the time of the explosion.

According to rocketry theory, it would take a reaction-propelled craft of the rocket type about 100 hours to reach the moon.

I submit there is a likelihood that on June 24, 1947, something like a space-ship came here from the moon and upon February 18, 1948, returned to the moon.

This is of course speculation.

But has anyone yet explained the "flying discs" in terms of all the pretty-well proven facts in connection with them?

Has anyone yet devised a fuel powerful enough to kick a rocket from Earth to the Moon?

There have been hundreds of reports, during the past century, on occurrences which imply this world is visited from outside space. Absence of contact by these postulatable visiting entities may imply a state of culture far beyond ours, to the point where it would be inexpedient for their members to have to do with us en-masse.

These reports have never been seriously considered by science, which in general ignores them.

However, according to Dr. Rocht of Chamberlin Observatory, Denver, there is nothing in astronomy to explain the thing which exploded over Norcatur. Dr. Nininger's idea that the thing was a meteor flatly disregards Dr. Rocht's opinion, which may have been based on the Denver Posts' statement that a Denver woman saw the Norcatur object twenty minutes before the explosion occurred.

I submit that the Army needs men who are capable of recognizing the anomalies beforementioned when they occur, evenif only to aid in speculation regarding them.

The undersigned offers his services to that end, if the Army may wish to avail itself of them.

/s/ N. G. MARKHAM

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Excerpt of letter dated April 11, 1948 from Dr. Lincoln LaPaz, Director, Institute of Meteoritics, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Deputy Executive Director, Committee on Geophysical Sciences, Research and Development Board:

Thank you for the surprising documents sent me under date of March 30. As you remark, certain aspects of Markham's letters are fantastic (for example: (1) the fireball procession of 1913, February 9, was genuinely meteoric, although a rare type of chain fall; (2) no astronomer could take seriously Markham's "invasion by beings from Venus or the Moon"-theory: (3) he appeals to, and biases in his favor, such untrustworthy evidence as newspaper stories, e.g., the absurd statement attributed to Dr. Rocht of the Chamberlin Observatory). Nevertheless, Markham is justified in calling attention to certain incidents as unexplained, for example, the "flying lenses" (in my opinion 99% hoax and imagination and 1% real).

As regards the Norcatur, Kansas incident, I remain convinced that, like the Four Corners incident, it was a genuine meteorite fall, although one of exceptional size (again like the Four Corners fall). However, there are many curious aspects of both these falls, some of an objective nature, like the singular fact that in spite of intensive searches (admittedly under bad terrain and weather conditions), not a trace of meteoritic material has so far been found; some of a non-objective nature, like the amazing testimony given by Mr. Leland Sammons, Mr. Alfred Glenn, and other witnesses of the Norcatur incident, both to members of the State Highway Commission of Kansas and to Institute of Meteoritics field survey parties. (See exhibits A, B, and C enclosed.)

Some comment on such testimony as appears in A,B, and C would seem desirable:

1. Glenn first reported the battery case as red hot. When I pointed out that the paper on it was not charred, his account was changed to "too hot to handle". The Institute of Meteoritics party found only two men, not four, who saw the battery case fall. The battery case has been examined by Dr. Victor Regener, Department of Physics, University of New Mexico, who states that it appears to be identical with the small batteries used in portable radios.

2. K. Hays' identification of the Norcatur object as a rocket has the following support: On the morning of February 19, I talked to the towerman and two assistants at the Air Base at McCook Field, Nebraska. All three denied the Norcatur object was a fireball and described it as a black object with an extremely bright jet of flame pouring out of the rear. Furthermore, a 14-year old, and presumably unbiased, schoolgirl in Oberlin, Kansas wrote me a similar description of the "Fireball."

3. A determined effort is under way to check up on Sammons' veracity (and sanity!) I have neither seen nor talked to Sammons, but another member of the Institute of Meteoritics party (Dr. D. M. Gragg, an Instructor in the Department of Mathematics) who did so believes Sammons (who is a well-to-dO farmer) to be sincere and very badly scared. Of course nearness to a big meteorite fall would scare one as badly as an atom bomb; but how could it produce such testimony as Sammons".

The "meteoritic" incidents from the great fall of 1945, November 29 (from which no meteorites have been recovered either!) through the sequence of similar falls culminating in the Four Corners and Norcatur incidents, coupled with such t ings as the Ussuri incident, convince me that either the earth is under a most unusual cosmic bombardment or many of the fireballs are not meteorites at all. While I still cling to the meteoritic hypothesis, it is clear that which ever alternative is the right one, the situation cries aloud for thorough investigation.

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EXHIBIT A

Roy W. Cox, Director of Highways

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

OF KANSAS

Division 3

Norton

NOTES TAKEN AT NORCATUR, KANSAS, Night of Feb 18

Mr. Ralph New, Postmaster at Norcatur, tells us that at approximately 4:50 PM he was standing in the north window of the post office in Norcatur looking toward the City Hall when he was suddenly illuminated very brightly by some terrific light.

He ran outside into the street where others were looking toward the northeast at a very large cloud of white smoke high in the sky. He stated that in about a minute and a half, there was a terrific explosion followed by a heavy rumbling noise like thunder and that the smoke cloud was growing larger all the time. Also there was a white smoke trail in the sky from the southwest where the missile had come from.

He said that from the center of the street, the explosion and the first big mushroom of smoke was directly overhead and at a tremendous height.

Another man in Norcatur stated that just prior to the explosion, he had heard the motors of an airplane.

Chief Scott learned from some man in Norton that just following the explosion, something fell at his feet on the street and he picked it up, to find that it was a small flashlight battery resembling those used in 'fountain pen flashlights' and that it was red hot. After a crowd of men gathered and examined it, he was unable to findit and thinks that someone took it.

Kenneth Hays of east of Norton was about 5 miles south of Prairie View when he heard something roaring in the sky to the west of him, far away and very high. He says that it resembled a rocket traveling northeast toward Norton direction, and that suddenly there was a terrific explosion followed by a mushroom of white smoke andthat there followed other explosions or something resembling explosions. When he saw it, it was nearing the ground or horizon, in other words, losing altitude.

Edgar Young's boy at Reager, was standing beside the Reager elevator and heard something high over head, looked up to see a very bright flash of light and then a loud explosion followed by a big cloud of smoke.

The airport at Norton thought about 20,000 feet, time 4:50. Checked but no planes missing.

but slightly east. Suddenly, about 1 and 1/2 minutes after he had seen the flash, there was a terrific explosion and jar, shaking the ground and causing the windows all around to rattle. Following the explosion, there were several loud reverberating rumblings across the heavens. He stated that the explosion must have been very high.

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Edgar Young, a boy living at Regar, just east of Norcatur, was outside the elevator, when he observed the explosion, looked up and saw the huge cloud of smoke. He stated that it was almost overhead but slightly west of him. He said that it was a big explosion. The elevator man was out in the elevator, when he heard the explosion. He t ought that his oil-burner had exploded in the office and ran in to see about it. Finding it O.K., he ran outside to see what had exploded, saw the big cloud of smoke high overhead, slightly west.

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Eastern Kansas newspaper carried a story about 6 days ago of one just like this one, coming from the south to vicinity of Iola, Kansas, where it turned west and disappeared into the sky.

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Check with Chief Scott of Norton about a burned flashlight battery which fell in the street of Norton just after the explosion. It was too hot to be picked up for several minutes. Chief Scott has it.

Note: A copy of Exhibit "C" referred to in letter from Dr. LaPaz, was not received.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 102

1. Date 18 February 1948
2. Time 1500 MST
3. Location ~~[illegible]~~ Air Near Green River, Utah
4. Name of observer Lenord P. Marchese (B-29 Pilot, Lt. 28 Bomber Gp)
   Carl W. Stucki, Lt., Co-Pilot, (see reverse side for other witnesses)
5. Occupation of observer Pilot
6. Address of observer 77th Bomb Sq, 28th Bomb Gp (VH), Weaver AFB, S.D.
7. Place of observation 39° N - 100° W - near Green River, Utah
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer 100 miles
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 20,000 feet
12. Speed Very high
13. Direction of flight Southeast of Limon, Colorado
14. Tactics Explosion rate
15. Sound Could not be determined due to B-29 engine noise
16. Size Huge
17. Color Multi-colored ball of fire
18. Shape Huge multi-colored ball of fire and dense cloud of smoke
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Vapor trail with ball of fire at head of trail
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: ~~[illegible]~~ Over

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A huge multi-colored ball of fire trailing a dense cloud of smoke was sighted at approx 1500 hours MST 18 Feb 48, 39° N-100° W at approx 20,000 ' by two B-29 aircraft of the 28th Bombardment Group (VH). It was seen some 100 miles southeast of the B-29s. Size was estimated as huge altho impossible to determine accurately due to the distance. It was traveling at very high speed and heading southeast of Limon, Colorado, at approx 20,000 ft.

Witnesses: Capt Howard H. Berodt, AO-49504, 718th Bomb Sq 28th Bomb Gp (VH). Pilot of 1st B-29

Capt Maurice T. Ritenour, AO-48043, 718th Bomb Sq 28 Bomb Gp (VH). Co-Pilot of 1st B-29.

1st Lt Leonard P. Marchese, AO-748714, 77th Bomb Sq., 28th Bomb Gp (VH). Pilot of 2nd B-29

1st Lt. Carl W. Stucki, AO-785916, 77th Bomb Sq, 28th Bomb Gp (VH). Co-Pilot of 2nd B-29.

NOTE: See Incident 101 - Norcatur Kansas.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 103

1. Date 18 February 1948
2. Time 1500 MST
3. Location ~~[illegible]~~ Air near Green River Utah
4. Name of observers Capt. Howard H. Berodt - Capt Maurice T. Ritenour (See Inc 102 - corroboration)
5. Occupation of observer Pilots
6. Address of observer 718th Bomb Sq, 28th Bomb Gp (VH) Weaver AFB, S.D.
7. Place of observation 39° N - 100° W - Near Green River, Utah
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer 100 miles
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 20,000 feet
12. Speed Very high
13. Direction of flight Southeast (of Limon, Colorado)
14. Tactics Explosion rate
15. Sound Could not be determined due to B-29 engine noise
16. Size Huge (Seen 100 miles west of the B-29's)
17. Color Multi-colored ball of fire
18. Shape Hugh milti-colored ball of fire and dense cloud of smoke followed
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Vapor trail with a ball of fire at the head of trail
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: ~~None~~ - Same as incident 102 which see

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 104

1. Date 7 Mar 48
2. Time 2055 C
3. Location Smyrna, Tenn.
4. Name of observer Frank L. Fenn, Maj, USAF, CO, Smyrna AF Base
   Cpl Richard C. Pettingill & Pvt Frank C. Johnson,
5. Occupation of observers CO of Smyrna & radio and tower operators AACS Station
6. Address of observer Smyrna AAF, ~~Army~~ Smyrna, Tenn
7. Place of observation Smyrna AAF - 6 miles from (ground)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 6 miles
10. Time in sight 45 minutes
11. Altitude About 5° above horizon
12. Speed very slow
13. Direction of flight WNW away from Smyrna
14. Tactics N/S Faded away
15. Sound None
16. Size Unknown
17. Color yellow-orange
18. Shape oval
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S - seemed to be flare
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions CAVU - 10 miles
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs Figs (2) showing yellow orange flame-like oval
25. Manner of disappearance faded into horizon
26. Remarks: (over)

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A yellow-orange object which had the appearance of a flare was observed some six miles from Smyrna AAF between the west and northwest just above the horizon and moving directly away from Smyrna. The speed was estimated as slow since the object remained visible some forty-five minutes. It gradually faded away disappearing into the horizon. No exhaust trail was seen and no sound was heard.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 105

1. Date 8 Mar 48
2. Time 1100
3. Location Belmont, N. C.
4. Name of observer Mr. A. C. Morrison
5. Occupation of observer Supt. Meter Dept, Duke Power Co., Charlotte, N. C.
6. Address of observer Charlotte, N. C. (Duke Power Co.)
7. Place of observation Belmont, N. C. (Sighted from ground)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight about 10 seconds
11. Altitude N/S - could not be estimated
12. Speed Around 600 MPH
13. Direction of flight Easterly
14. Tactics None - moved in straight line at constant speed without change in altitude or direction
15. Sound None
16. Size From a distance - that of a small coin
17. Color bright or silver - looked metallic
18. Shape round or sphere (unable to determine which)
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction Metallic
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear with scattered white clouds
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance behind small white cloud
26. Remarks: (over)

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A round metallic-appearing object moving very rapidly at an estimated speed of 600 MPH was observed near Belmont, N. C., at approx 1100 the morning of 8 Mar 48. The weather was clear with excellent visibility with a few small scattered fleecy white clouds. It could not be determined if the object were a disc or sphere. Its apparent size was that of a small coin of a bright or silver color. It reflected the sun maintaining a steady reflection which did not flicker. The object which was under observation for some 10 seconds was on an easterly heading and moved in a straight line at a constant speed without apparent change in altitude or direction. It was impossible to determine the altitude but it was moving above the clouds. No sound of any kind was heard nor was any exhaust trail observed.

NOTE: Witness (Mr Morrison) is a man of excellent character and reputation, a first-grade engineer and employee of Duke Power Co for some 30 years. He impressed the agent as being conservative and sound and is a technical man with a very technical and responsible position.

Mr. Morrison was careful in his statements. He does not claim he saw the "flying disc", merely ~~xxxx~~ claiming that they saw an object which they could not identify with any natural phenomenon or known type of aircraft. It resembled "a round metallic appearing object moving very rapidly."

Witnesses: Mr. Hendrix, assistant Superintendent, Meter Dept
Duke Power Co., Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. G. W. Jordan, Gastonia Electric Co.,
Gastonia, N. C.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 5 March 1948 Incident # 106
2. Time 1610 - 1655
3. Location Bakersfield, California
4. Name of observer George L. Buchner
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Bakersfield, California
7. Place of observation From ground, southwest toward Buena Vista Lake, Calif.
8. Number of objects Two
9. Distance of object from observer 10 - 12 miles
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight Earthward
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Seemingly on fire, black and red smoke trailing behind
18. Shape Similar to falling aircraft
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Brownish-white smoke and debris trailing
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Behind a water tower, which was an obstruction to the view
26. Remarks: Comments of G. L. Buckner and other witnesses to this sighting contained in attached supplement.

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

4AFDA-3/1208-I

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Disc. Mar 11, 1948

TO: Chief of Staff
United States Air Forces
Washington, D. C.
ATTN: DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE
Air Intelligence Requirements Branch

1. Incident reported on 9 March 1948, this headquarters, per telephone call from Sgt A. M. Larsen, Sheriff's office, Bakersfield, California.

106 a. Observation by Mr. (George L) Les Buchner, Bakersfield, California, of two objects falling to earth from unknown source on 5 March 1948 between 1610 and 1655 hours. Description of objects similar to falling aircraft with smoke and debris trailing. Observation made at Bakersfield with objects sighted southwest toward Buena Vista Lake, California.

106 b. Observation by Mr. Denio, employee of the Pacific General Electric Company, Bakersfield, California, of two objects which fell to earth from unknown source north of Bakersfield, California, 8 March 1948. One object seemed to be on fire with red and black smoke trailing behind.

2. Informant Larsen stated that searching parties, aircraft and rescue units have made numerous attempts to locate these reported objects without success.

3. Investigation of incident has been initiated by this headquarters. Report will follow.

/s/ Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, USAF
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Information to:
ADC, Mitchel Fld, N.Y.
FBI, San Francisco
G-2, Sixth Army
DIO, San Francisco (12th Nav.Dist)

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

4AFDA-3/1208-I

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying Discs

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

Information from the Sheriff's Office, Bakersfield, California, revealed that numerous calls from residents in Bakersfield concerning peculiar objects in the sky over Bakersfield, predicated an investigation by their office and contact with A-2 Headquarters Fourth Air Force.

On 13th March 1948, two informants, Mr. George L. Buchner, and Mr. H. B. Nix, stated that they observed a flying object which appeared to be consumed in fire, and left a brownish-white plume of smoke, which suddenly stopped and disappeared. Seconds later, what appeared to be a parachute, was seen to be drifting to the east.

The object, as described, appeared to be a burning fabric airplane, consumed in smoke. Observations were made in Bakersfield of object to the south and southwest, approximately ten to twelve miles distance, around 1600 hours on 5 March 1948.

On 13th March 1948, informant, Mr. H. B. Nix, stated that he observed an object at 0830, 8 March 1948, due north of Bakersfield, approximately five miles distance. The object was a large, orange-red ball of fire, somewhat larger than a small airplane, appeared to remain static for approximately thirty seconds, then split and continued to burn; each visible as a burning half. A parachute, with a black object hanging was then observed to fall, drift to the east and disappeared into the hills east of Bakersfield.

On 13th March 1948, two informants, Mrs. Callie R. Mason, secretary, Haberfelde Building, Bakersfield, California, and Dr. J. E. Johnson, dentist Haberfelde Building, Bakersfield, California, stated that they were in Room 518, Haberfelde Building, on the morning of 9 March 1948. Mrs. Mason was a patient of Dr. Johnson. Both informants stated that they observed a flaming object which appeared at first to be a very small airplane. Orange red flames seemed to envelope the object with considerable black smoke trailing in a zigzag manner for approximately 4,000 to 5,000 feet. The object was observed at 1,000 feet, approximately due north of Bakersfield, seven to ten miles distant at approximately 0830 hours.

Informants further stated that the object disappeared behind a water tower, which was an obstruction to their view, and was near the ground. Both informants watched for an explosion, thinking that it would explode upon reaching the ground, but nothing unusual was noted.

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A-2 COMMENT:

Although there is no evidnece to substantiate the following, it is the opinion of this headquarters that this activity could be attributed to marker flares. Any further developments, or evidence obtained, will be forwarded this headquarters from the Sheriff's Office, Bakersfield, California.

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Incident # 107

1. Date 8 March 1948
2. Time N/S
3. Location Bakersfield, California
4. Name of observer Mr. Denio
5. Occupation of observer Pacific General Electric Company employee
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Sighted from ground
8. Number of objects Two
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight Earthward
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color One object seemingly afire, red and black smoke trailing
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance ~~N/S~~ Fell to earth
26. Remarks: See supplement to Incident #106.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 108

1. Date 8 March 1948
2. Time 0830
3. Location Bakersfield, California
4. Name of observer H. B. Nix
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Sighted from ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer 5 miles
10. Time in sight Approx. 30 seconds before splitting and burning
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Static for approx 30 seconds, and then drifting
13. Direction of flight eastward
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size Larger than a small airplane
17. Color Orange-red ball of fire
18. Shape Ball
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Drifted to the east into the hills east of Bakersfield
26. Remarks: See supplement to Incident #106

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 109

1. Date 9 March 1948
2. Time 0830
3. Location Bakersfield, California
4. Name of observers J.E. Johnson and Mrs. Callie R. Mason
5. Occupation of observer J.E. Johnson, Dentist, Mrs. Mason, Secretary
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation 5th Floor of business building
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer 7 - 10 miles
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 1000 feet
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight Due north of Bakersfield
14. Tactics Zig-zaging
15. Sound N/S
16. Size Appearance of a very small airplane
17. Color Orange-red flame
18. Shape Appearance of a very small airplane
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Considerable black smoke trailing for 4000 to 5000 feet
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: See supplement to Incident #106

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Incident # 110

HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Andrews Field
Washington 20, D. C.

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SAC 350 (29 Mar 48)

29 March 1948

SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Aerial Sounds.

TO: Chief of Staff
United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.
Attention: Director of Intelligence

1. The following is quoted from a copy of a letter, Baltimore Office, FBI, addressed to the Director of Intelligence, Second Army:

"On March 23, 1948, an individual, who desired that her identity be kept confidential, telephonically communicated with this office and indicated that she is the wife of a former member of the United States military forces, and that she is presently active in American Legion activities, but was emphatic in stating that she was in no way hysterical or unduly apprehensive regarding present world conditions. She did, however, wish to bring to the attention of the proper authorities that during the past six or eight weeks, on a number of occasions between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 A.M., she has heard peculiar sounding noises in the sky, which appear to come from airplanes in the distance, but the sound is not the type of airplane motor drone which isgenerally heard from American planes. She has discussed the matter with her husband, and he believes that the sound is more like that of a foreign type airplane. She recently discussed this matter with an unidentified woman who lives in her neighborhood, which is Hamilton, Baltimore, Maryland, and this woman stated that she, too, had heard the noise in question, and that her husband is also an ex-G.I. and he has stated that the motors sounded like that of foreign planes."

2. No action is contemplated by this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

c/c furnished CG,
AMC, Attn: MCI.

ALAN MARCEAU
CWO, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 110

1. Date 23 March 1948
2. Time 0300 - 0500
3. Location Baltimore (Hamilton) Maryland
4. Name of observer Identity confidential
5. Occupation of observer Active in American Legion activities
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation N/S
8. Number of objects Undetermined
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Not sighted
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound Motor drone of foreign type aircraft
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: See Supplement

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INCIDENT SUMMARY SHEET
(To be filled out and retained in files)

1. Date of Observation 1 April 1948 . . . Incident # 111

2. Time of Observation 0955 hrs. . . . . .

3. Where was Object(s) Sighted 124° 3' East, 12° 52' North . . . . . .

4. Observer's Position . Sighted object from plane- Phillipine Islands . . . . . .
(i.e. ground, air, control tower, etc.)

5. Name and Address of Observer 1st Lt. Robert W Meyers, 67th Fighter Sq. 18th Fighter Group . . . . . .

6. Occupation and/or Hobbies . P-47 pilot . . . . . .

7. Attention Attracted to Object (s) By Appearing in line of sight during flight

8. Number of Object(s) Sighted 1 . . . . . .

9. Size of Object(s) wing span 30 feet, length 20 feet . . . . . .

10. Color of Object(s) silver . . . . . .

11. Shape (Sketch if Possible) A half moon closely resembling a flying wing type aircraft, turtle back and an indistinct dorsal fin.

12. Nature of Luminosity . . . . . .

13. Estimated Distance of Object from Observer . 3 miles . . . . . .

14. Speed of Object(s) 200 MPH- disappeared in 5 seconds indicating great acceleration.

15. Time in Sight . Approximately 60 seconds . . . . . .

16. Tactics 90° left turn, then level flight accelerating rapidly . . . . . .

17. Sound Made by Object(s) . none . . . . . .

18. Direction of Flight of Object(s) . 270° . . . . . .

19. Apparent Construction (Of What Material or Substance) . . . . . .

20. Effect of Objects on Clouds and/or Exhaust Trail . none observed . . . . . .

21. Weather Conditions Existing at the Time scattered cumulous, base 3000', tops 6000' . .

22. Peculiarities Noted Object made a left turn, leveled out on a 270° heading accelerated rapidly and disappeared from sight. . . . . .

23. Summary of Incident On 1st April, at 0955, 1st Lt Meyers was leading a flight of 4 P-47 aircraft of the 67th Fighter Sq., 18th Fighter Group. He was . . . flying a heading of 180°, altitude 1500 feet, position 124° 3' East and . . .

(Attach a Separate Sheet if Additional Space is Needed)

12° 52' North, when he sighted an unidentified object approximately three (3) miles east of his position and at an estimated altitude of 1000' heading 360°. The object appeared to be a flying wing aircraft, its shape resembled a half moon. What appeared to be a dorsal fin was barely perceptible. The span of the object was estimated to be 30 feet, length 20 feet. The object was silver in color. Upon sighting the object, Lt. Meyers immediately started a left turn with the intention of intercepting and to more positively identify the phenomena. While Meyers was making a 240° left turn, the object made a 90° left turn, then leveled out on a heading of 270°, accelerated rapidly and disappeared from sight in approximately 5 seconds. There was no sound heard, and no exhaust trails were observed. St the time of the sighting visibility was unlimited, scattered cumulous, base 3000 feet, tops 6000 feet.

NOTE: Because of the distance from which the sighting was made, no distinguishing features, i.e. power units, landing gear, armament or cockpit were observed.

The interview with Lt. Meyers indicated that he is a reliable non-excitable individual who appeared quite positive in his statements. He was the only witness to this incident as he could not contact his wing men i since his radio was out. Apparently the maneuvers performed by his three (3) wing-men prevented their observation of the object.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 112

1. Date 8 Apr 48
2. Time 1400 - 1430
3. Location Ashley, Ohio
4. Name of observer Miss Winifred Paines - Mrs. Bertha Slack
5. Occupation of observer Miss Paines: Asst Bank Cashier; Mrs. Slack: housekeeper
6. Address of observer 227 W High St., Ashley, O.
7. Place of observation Ashley, Ohio (ground)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer "Quite a distance"
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Could not estimate
12. Speed slow-moving
13. Direction of flight Southwest
14. Tactics No maneuvers
15. Sound N/S
16. Size undetermined
17. Color silver
18. Shape Oblong, long and narrow - like silver streak
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear, no clouds near object
23. Effect on clouds N/S - no clouds near object
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness thought she heard plane which appeared to be flying low and making an unusual amount of noise. Could not locate the plane but did see an object oblong in shape and long and narrow which had the appearance of a silver streak. It was clearly outlined and moving slowly and steadily in a southwesterly direction parallel to the ground and without changing direction. Altitude and size were not estimated.

Note: See Incident #112a in which the plane was perceived flying low.

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Incident # 112a

1. Date 8 April 1948
2. Time 1400 - 1430
3. Location Ashley, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. Lelah Stephens
5. Occupation of observer Newspaper reporter
6. Address of observer 226 West High Street, Ashley, Ohio
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Approximately five minutes
11. Altitude Quite high
12. Speed Slow - dirfting
13. Direction of flight Southwesterly
14. Tactics None
15. Sound None
16. Size Smaller than the airplane that was in view at the time
17. Color Opalescent - like mother of pearl
18. Shape Long cylindrical body, like a stick of firewood
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear, few clouds in sky but non around object
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: A plane, which sounded as if it were flying low since there was an exceptionally loud roaring noise, first attracted the attention

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of this witness. She observed a large airplane, heading south, and about the same time also observed a strange object in the sky travelling slowly in a southwesterly direction. Witness first thought it was sky writing, as it looked like a streak; but later it became clearly outlined, appearing to be a long cylindrical body like a stick of firewood. With the sun shining on it, it appeared opalescent, like mother of pearl. The object was much higher, and quite a bit smaller than, the airplane, but drifted slowly along after the airplane disappeared. It may have been drifting with the wind.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 112b

1. Date 8 April 1948
2. Time 1430
3. Location Delaware, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. James B. Stephenson
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 93 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Slow
13. Direction of flight Southwesterly
14. Tactics None
15. Sound None
16. Size Very large - about the size of a full moon in height but much smaller in width
17. Color Very white
18. Shape Cylindrical, with vapor around the top
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear, no clouds around object
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: At 1430 Mrs. J. B. Stephenson's attention was attracted from her window by an object of unusual shape in the sky. Upon going outsid

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to get a better view it appeared very white, with no shadows at all, was cylindrical in shape and seemed to have vapor around the top. When first seen, it appeared to be leaning at an angle, and then right itself and move along "perpendicular" to the ground. It appeared not to be moving at first, but upon a closer look it was seen moving slowly in a southwesterly direction, without sound or manueverings, and remaining at the same altitude. The weather was clear, and no exhaust trails were seen. The object seemed very large, about the size of a full moon in height, but much smaller in width. Since there was nothing to compare it with, she could not be sure of the size. No statement was made as to whether or not witness heard an airplane.

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Incident # 112c

1. Date 8 April 1948
2. Time 1430
3. Location Delaware, Ohio
4. Name of observer Rev. James B. Stephenson
5. Occupation of observer Pastor
6. Address of observer 93 N. Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Slow
13. Direction of flight Southwesterly
14. Tactics None
15. Sound None
16. Size Not Stated
17. Color White
18. Shape Verticle, larger at the bottom and narrow at the top
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Witness first thought that object was a plane on fire, as it was surrounded by a vaporous substance. A plane was heard, and

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~~it seemed low and made a great deal of noise.~~ After a few seconds' study object became clearly outlined and looked similar to a vertical cylinder, large at the bottom and narrow at the top, with streamers or streaks of vapor attached. It gave the appearance of a white cloud, but did not behave as a cloud. It retained its shape and maintained a steady movement on a straight course against the wind. The Delaware airport was alerted for its appearance, but after a half hour it had not been sighted there.

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Incident # 112d

1. Date 8 April 1948
2. Time 1430
3. Location Delaware, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. John Bergen
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 111 North Washington Street
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight Southwesterly
14. Tactics None
15. Sound ~~None~~ Could not be determined
16. Size N/S
17. Color White
18. Shape Spherical "blob" with streaks above it
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Witness heard planes prior to the sighting, but doesn't know whether or not they had any connection with the object.

The object was clearly outlined, but did not look like a balloon. The Perkins Observatory was alerted but was unable to sight theobject.

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Incident # 112e

1. Date 8 April 1948
2. Time 1430
3. Location Delaware, Ohio
4. Name of observer Rev. John H. Bergen
5. Occupation of observer Pastor
6. Address of observer 111 North Washington Street
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer Not determined
10. Time in sight Ten minutes
11. Altitude Several thousand feet
12. Speed Not too fast
13. Direction of flight Almost due west into the wind
14. Tactics None
15. Sound None
16. Size Not less than 5 feet in width
17. Color Very white
18. Shape Spherical, with a small protrusion above it, like vapor streaks
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Disappeared from view behind the trees
26. Remarks: This object appeared like a concentrated bit of cloud except it was clearly outlined. The size could not be determined,

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since witness could not tell whether it was a s mall object near him or a large object far away. It traveled in a straight line and did not maneuver. It was not stated that the sound of a plane was heard.

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Incident # 112f

1. Date 8 April 1948
2. Time 1430
3. Location Delaware, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. H. S. Kirkpatrick
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 107 North Washington Street
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Steady - not too fast
13. Direction of flight Southwesterly
14. Tactics None
15. Sound None
16. Size It was not large enough for a person to be inside
17. Color White - about the color of a fleecy cloud
18. Shape Spherical - womewhat larger at top with a protruding end underneat
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear, blue sky, sunny
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Witness heard, but did not see airplane, and saw instead a white object, spherical in shape, larger at the top with a protruding

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end underneath. It was clearly outlined and maintained the same shape as it moved along, steadily, and at the same altitude. Robert Cochran, son of the witness, who is in the Merchant Marine, thought the object very unusual. He said it was in the shape of a rainspout.

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Incident # 113

1. Date 9 April 1948
2. Time 1510 1506
3. Location Montgomery, Alabama
4. Name of observer Robert B. Hughes, Lt. Colonel, USAF
5. Occupation of observer Pilot
6. Address of observer Tactics Div., Air Tactical School, Tyndall AF Base
7. Place of observation From the air
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Five seconds
11. Altitude Approximately 16000 feet
12. Speed In excess of the viewer's 310 mph air speed
13. Direction of flight Northwest
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound None
16. Size Top part eight feet diameter
17. Color Silver
18. Shape Had the appearance of a parachute carrying a large canister or ball
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear, visibility and ceiling unlimited
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs - Sketch (trip)
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Lt. Col. Robert B. Hughes first sighted the object before completing an 180° left turn over the town of Montgomery, Alabama.

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The object, sighted at ten o'clock off his left wing, appeared to be a silver disc. He immediately completed a sharp bank to the left and was able to get a better look at the object, and described it as follows:

"Top part of the object approximately eight feet in diameter, silver in color, had the appearance of a parachute. Attached to the bottom of this had been a dark cable or shroud which appeared to be approximately five feet long. Suspended upon the cable had been a large canister or ball (Colonel Hughes could not discern which) also silver in color. This canister or ball had the appearance of being slightly to the rear of the top part of the object. The overall appearance of the object looked something similar to the parachute and canister containing photographic testing equipment dropped from a V-2 rocket."

At the time he lost sight of the object, Hughes' aircraft had been indicating 310 miles per hour air speed, and the object had appeared to fly away from him on a horizontal plane rather than a vertical decline.

A sketch of the object is attached.

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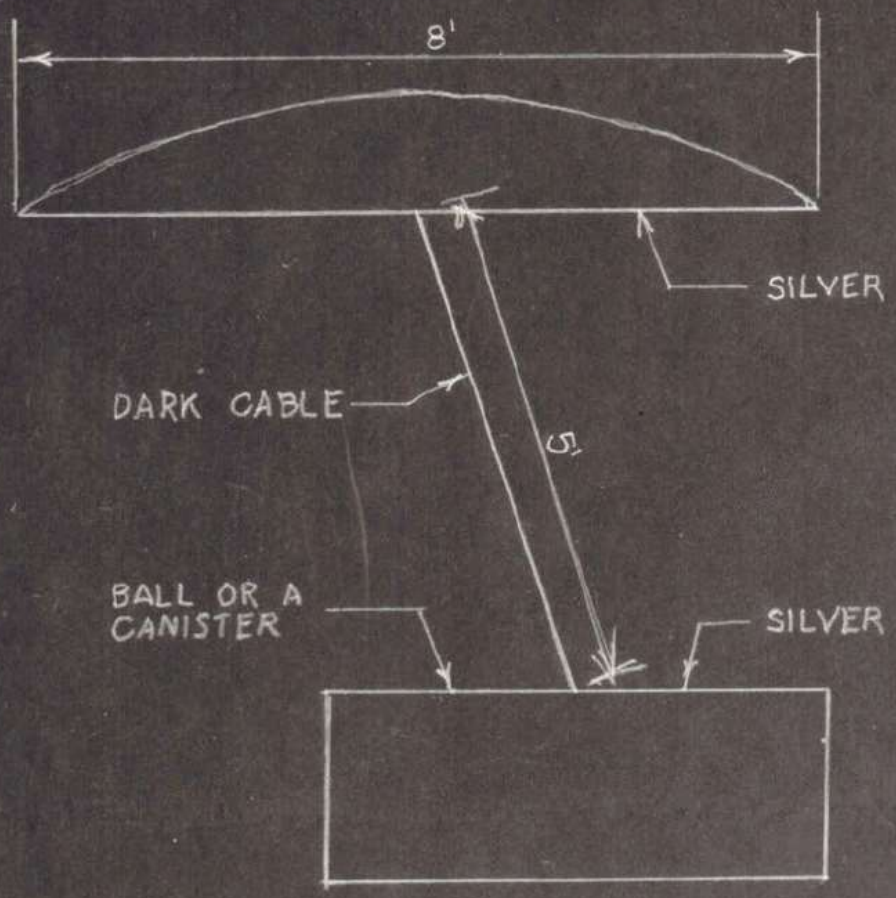

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 114

1. Date 18 Apr 48
2. Time 1306 hours
3. Location Approx 1 mile north of Fairbanks, Alaska
4. Name of observer Lt Aytch Johnson
5. Occupation of observer 1st Lt (discharged f/USAF as per authority Para 1, SO. 60 dated 28 May 48)(see)
6. Address of observer Ft Worth, Texas
7. Place of observation Over city of Fairbanks, Alaska
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight few minutes
11. Altitude 2000-3000 ft
12. Speed 250-300 miles (traveled 500 feet in 1 or 2 seconds)
13. Direction of flight Northeast toward southwest
14. Tactics Oscillated from horizontal plane to vertical plane at very rapid speed)
15. Sound No sound
16. Size 8" in diameter
17. Color silvery
18. Shape round and flat
19. Odor detected N,S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails no trails of any kind
22. Weather conditions Weather clear and visibility unrestricted
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object observed at altitude of about 2000-3000 on NE-SW heading. It appeared to be some 8 inches in diameter and gave off a silvery brilliantreflection. It oscillated from a horizontal plane to a vertical plane at a very rapid pace. Estimated speed: about 250-300 MPH -(traveled some 500 feet in 1 or 2 seconds) No sound could be heard nor were there any trails of any kind.

NOTE: This sighting may have been the reflection of sun from wings of these aircraft. At the approximate time of the sighting a number of aircraft were flying in the local area.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident #115

1. Date 19 Apr 48
2. Time 1615
3. Location Over Greenville AF Base, Greenville, S. C.
4. Name of observers 1st Lt Francis W. Hennin, Jr. & 1st Lt Robert G. Loomis, USAF
5. Occupation of observer Both attached to Liaison sq. Greenville
6. Address of observers Greenville AF Base, Greenville, S. C.
7. Place of observation Greenville AF Base
8. Number of objects 1 - 1 at first, 1 later
9. Distance of object from observer 15,000 to 20,000 ft overhead
10. Time in sight 2 minutes
11. Altitude 15,000 to 20000 ft
12. Speed Undetermined. Stationary, then rapidly accelerating and climbing
13. Direction of flight North
14. Tactics Hovering then acceleration and climbing Observed trail formation
15. Sound none audible (?) - states: Witnesses were attracted by sound of fighter aircraft in vicinity. (no mention made of these)
16. Size undetermined
17. Color white
18. Shape elliptical
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails No exhaust or condensation trail
22. Weather conditions CAVU
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs 2
25. Manner of disappearance in distance
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witnesses were attracted by sound of fighter aircraft in vicinity. They started searching the sky for the aircraft and sighted the objects. When first sighted, the witnesses thought the objects might be weather balloons. However, when they accelerated so rapidly in a northerly heading, they determined the objects could not be balloons. They were in a trail formation on a North-South line, and moved so rapidly they wereout of sight within a few seconds. From original sighting in the stationary position to their disappearance, a period of approximately two (2) minutes elapsed, of which the objects were in a stationary position for approximately one (1)minute.

NOTE: Wind at 20,000 ft from 340° at 10 knots per hour (1230 EST Rpt)
Wind at 20,000 ft 32° at 13 knots per hour (1830 EST Rpt)

NOTE: Nearest weather station releasing balloons is Spartanburg, S. C. One black balloon was released at 1230 EST.

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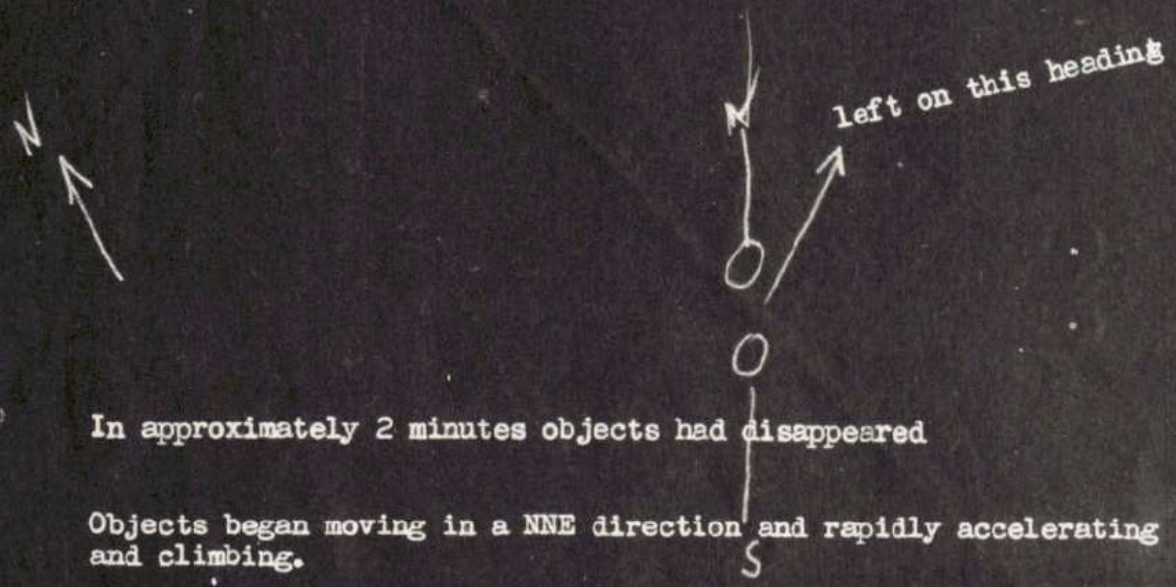

(4) In approximately 2 minutes objects had disappeared

(3) Objects began moving in a NNE direction and rapidly accelerating and climbing.

(2) When first seen objects were in a semi-stationary position.

(1) First one object was sighted, next, another one appeared.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 116

1. Date 11 Mar 48
2. Time night
3. Location Near shores of James Bay,
4. Name of observer V. J. Pratt
5. Occupation of observer Employe of Hudson Bay Co.
6. Address of observer Moose Factory
7. Place of observation Moose Factory, Canaca
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed meteoric
13. Direction of flight earthward
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound No noise
16. Size size of ~~fullxxxxx~~ football
17. Color ~~N/S~~ Blue flame
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction meteor
21. Exhaust trails ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ N/S
22. Weather conditions Night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance exploded
26. Remarks: (over)

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A big ball of blue flame, seemingly the size of a football streaked out of the sky and exploded near this Northern Ontario community (Moose Factory) near the shores of James Bay. The explosion lit up the entire area brighter than daylight, the whole ball disappeared and a second later a streak of orange light shot upward from where the ball was last seen. The orange streak was gone within a second. Witnesses heard no noise of any kind.

NOTE: This ties up with earlier reports from Cochran, 150 miles south of Moose Jaw where several citizens reported seeing what they thought to be a meteor around 11.40 P. M. EST Thurs.

One witness (a Mrs. Charles Giles) said that the object plunged downward like a spent rocket in the northern sky. She described it as about the size of a full moon which gave the appearance of disintegration as it fell.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # ~~xxx~~ 117

1. Date 7 May 48
2. Time 1500 to 1700
3. Location Memphis, Tenn.
4. Name of observer Miss Jean Bray, Housekeeper et ~~xxx~~ al (see other side)
5. Occupation of observer Housekeeper
6. Address of observer 253 W. Waldorf Ave., Memphis, Tenn.
7. Place of observation Memphis, Tenn.
8. Number of objects 50 or 60
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude extremely high
12. Speed faster than any aircraft witnesses had ever seen
13. Direction of flight easterly
14. Tactics Most traveled in straight line altho some of them zig-zagged.
15. Sound None
16. Size Very small
17. Color shiny - like bright aluminum
18. Shape unknown - possibly like meteor
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Some objects seemed to have a silvery tail which might have been exhaust
22. Weather conditions CAVU, wind: 330 to 340°, 15 MPH at surface increasing to 66 MPH at 20,000; Surface temp: 72°; dew point 43° relative humidity 40%
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Fifty to 60 shiny objects were seen moving at a speed faster than any known aircraft on an Easterly heading at an extremely high altitude. For the most part these objects traveled in a straight line altho some of them zig-zagged slightly. No sound was heard. Some objects seemed to have a silvery tail which might have been exhaust. These objects could not have been weather balloons as only one balloon was released by the Memphis Weather Bureau that day.

NOTE: Witnesses thought they had seen a meteor; however subsequent investigation seemed to preclude this possibility.
See Supp II to Trip Report to Memphis - Visit with Dr. Paul Herget of the Observatory of Cincinnati, Ohio, in which Dr. Herget expressed serious doubt that the 50 or more objects observed 7 May 48 in Memphis were meteors. He, was, however unable to offer any explanation as to a possible identification of the objects.

Dr. Hynak of OSU and Dr. Lincoln LaPaz are to be consulted about the possibility of ~~thxx~~ these being a meteor shower.

Witness of this incident were: Mr. F. J. Kaiser, salesman
251 W. Waldorf Ave., Memphis

Mrs F. J. Kaiser, housewife
251 W. Waldorf Ave., Memphis, Tenn.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 118

1. Date 28 Mar 48
2. Time 1630 hours
3. Location Berlin Lichtenrade, Kirchbachstrasse 2
4. Name of observer Dr Ormans,
5. Occupation of observer Former guided missile expert at Exeinmetall Borsi
6. Address of observer Berlin Lichtenrade, Kirchbachstrasse 2
7. Place of observation As above
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 14 kilometers
12. Speed rather fast
13. Direction of flight South to North
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound No sound reported
16. Size "white point"
17. Color White
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails No exaust trail reported
22. Weather conditions clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Dr Ormans, former Guided Missile expert at Exeinmetall, Borsig mentioned that he sighted 1 white point moving from South to North at an approx height of 14 kilometers, speed undetermined, rather fast, no rpt of sound, and no report of exhaust trail.

WITNESSES: Dr and Mrs. Ormans.
No photographs available.

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Incident # 119

Check list - Unidentified Flying Objects

1. Date 20 Feb 48
2. Time 0700 hours
3. Location Asuncion, Paraguay
4. Name of observer Mrs Agustina Vargas de Paula
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer resident of Asuncion (southern part of city)
7. Place of observation Asuncion
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight west to east
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape oval
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails highly colored wake
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S

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At approximately 0700 hours 20 Feb 48 witness saw object of oval shape traveling thru space from west to east. Its form ended in a very thin tail of approximately 3 feet in length. The forward part was bulky compared with the rear. The interior portion of the object gave off green, yellow and orange colors and it had a highly colored wake.

Statesments were obtained from a local newspaper "La Tribuna" which has interviewed several people claiming to have seen the saucers.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 20 Feb 48 Incident 119a
2. Time 0700
3. Location Aregua - 10 miles east of Asuncion
4. Name of observer "withheld"
5. Occupation of observer employee of Bank of Paraguay
6. Address of observer Bank of Paraguay
7. Place of observation in Aregua
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight west to east
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape oval
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks (over)

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 119b

1. Date 20 Feb 48
2. Time 0700
3. Location Villa Hayes (10 miles NNE of Asuncion)
4. Name of observer ~~Ln~~ Rancher and laborers
5. Occupation of observer Rancher
6. Address of observer in the "Chaco"
7. Place of observation Ranch house in neighborhood of Villa Hayes
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 1,000 ft
12. Speed less than that of a plane
13. Direction of flight west to east
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S - gave off an intense green color
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Perceived a disc giving off an intense green color. Witness reports that the object traveled from west to east at a speed less than that of a plane and at an altitude of approx 1000 ft. Along its edges it gave off an aureola with the color green predominant.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 120

1. Date N/S - around 7 Feb 48
2. Time N/S
3. Location Vejle, Denmark
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer field laborers
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Gadbjerg (near Vejle)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 200 meters altitude
10. Time in sight ~~N/S~~ 3 seconds
11. Altitude 200 meters altitude
12. Speed high speed
13. Direction of flight SE to NW
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color shining
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Three men working in a field in Gadbjerg (near Vejle) Denmark, have observed a shining object which moved at high speed over the sky from southeast to northwest at about 200 meters altitude. It remained visible for three seconds.

MA COMMENT: No verification received of the above. Evaluation P-6

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 121

1. Date 9 January 1948
2. Time 2330
3. Location Cartersville, Georgia, 34° 10' N, 84° 49' W
4. Name of observer Hugh DuBose
5. Occupation of observer Pilot (EAL)
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Air
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 3000 feet
12. Speed 400 mph
13. Direction of flight 175° M
14. Tactics None
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Light, sky-blue
18. Shape Circular, except for the top quarter which was flat, pot-shaped
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance 10° below the horizon
26. Remarks: When object crossed the path of the witness all that could be observed was an intense blue flame, in a shape circular except for

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the top quarter which was flat, pot-shaped. The witness states that the object definitely did not have the curved trajectory of a wingless missile. Shartly after crossing his path, the blue flame sputtered and turned immediately earthward. The flame then died altogether but nothing was seen hitting the ground. Witness states that the flame was not of the long trailing type, bub rather gave the impression that you were looking down a long exhaust stack at a short but concentrated mass of blue flame and further stated that his connections with RAF pilots in England during the war leads him now to believe this object looked the same as the "Buzz Bombs" chased by t ose RAF pilots at night. Arthur Porter, purser on this flight 9 January 48, also saw the object, the flame only, but can give no further evidence for its identification.

Mr. DuBose stated on April 29 that seventy-five cattle had died of an unknown disease on the farm of a Mr. Gordy at Newman, Georgia, and expressed concern over a possible connection between the unidentified object he reported and this unusual fatality among healthy cattle. However, the Atlanta Office of the Animal Industry Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, advises that this "unknown" disease has persisted for over a year and other cases repeated elsewhere in the country for some time back. There apparently remains no basis for connection between the object Mr. DuBose reports and the death of seventy-five cattle at Newman, Georgia.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 122

1. Date 5 April 1948
2. Time N/S
3. Location Holloman Air Force Base
4. Name of observer Mr. Olsen
5. Occupation of observer Trained balloon observer, Geophysics Lab Section
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation From the ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 30 seconds
11. Altitude Very high
12. Speed Faster than any known aircraft
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics Eratic - completing a large loop after its downward descent, then soaring upward and disappearing suddenly
15. Sound None
16. Size Large
17. Color Grey-white
18. Shape Rounded, indistinct form
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions C.A.V.U.
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Disappeared suddenly
26. Remarks: This was evidently the one object, of two sighted by another witness, that veered to the right and down. Its vaguely

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defined form gave the appearance of a large object at a great distance. The statements of other witnesses to this incident are contained in reports 112a and 112b.

All witnesses agreed that the object was very high, moved faster than any known aircraft, possessed a rounded, indistinct form, and disappeared suddenly rather than fading away in the distance. It was under observation 1/2 minutes or slightly less. It was definitely not a balloon, and apparently not manned, judging from the violent maneuvers which were performed at a high rate of speed.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 11 April 1948 Incident # 123

2. Time 2330

3. Location 4 miles north of Alton, Illinois

4. Name of observer Col W. F. Siegmund

5. Occupation of observer Former Commandant of the Air Base at Kearns, Utah and at present sales manager for Weestern Cartridge, Co., Alton

6. Address of observer Weestern Cartridge, Co., Alton, Ill.

7. Place of observation 4 miles north of Alton, Ill - ground

8. Number of objects 1

9. Distance of object from observer N/S

10. Time in sight N/S

11. Altitude N/S

12. Speed N/S

13. Direction of flight N/S

14. Tactics "flapped its wings"

15. Sound N/S

16. Size "bigger than an airplane"

17. Color N/S

18. Shape Resembled a huge fowl and not a type of aircraft

19. Odor detected N/S

20. Apparent construction N/S

21. Exhaust trails N/S

22. Weather conditions N/S

23. Effect on clouds N/S

24. Sketches or photographs None

25. Manner of disappearance N/S

26. Remarks: Col Siegmund said he observed the creature at about 11:30 A. M. 11 Apr 48, while riding four miles north of Alton, Ill

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Siegmund said he didn't see any flapping of wings but he was sure it was a huge fowl and not a type of aircraft. He was riding with a companion, Col. Ralph Jackson, Head of Western Military Academy, at the time. Jackson, however, was talking to a farmer and didn't see it. Siegmund said he didn't mention it to him as it seemed too incredible.

Note: A child, James Trares, age 12, said he saw the bird flying over his home in suburban Glendale, Mo., some 3 months previous.

The Belvidere report quoted a Robert Price and Veryl Babb as saying the bird was "bigger than an airplane" and flapped its wings.

RELIABILITY: Impossible to evaluate.
Col Siegmund was never questioned but some sort of investigation obviously should be made in lieu of the fact that he was once commandant of the Air Base at Kearns.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 124

1. Date 18 April 1948
2. Time 1500 GCT
3. Location North Atlantic, 62°00'N 33°00'W
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer Weather station patrol
6. Address of observer First Coast Guard District
7. Place of observation Air
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer 6500 yards - 18000 yards
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed 30 mph
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions C.A.V.U.
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Target strength was S5 fading at 18,000 yards
26. Remarks: This incident is the result of a radar sighting. Copy is also filed in radar sighting file.

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This target was contacted on the air search radar at 1500 GCT on 18 April 48. The first contact was made at 6500 yards and was tracked to 18,000 yards giving a velocity of approximately 30 m.p.h. The area in which the target was contacted was thoroughly search visually and there were no clouds nor weather fronts in said area. There were no target indications on the surface radar. The target strength was S5 fading at 18,000 yards.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 125

1. Date 2 May 1948
2. Time Night
3. Location St. Louis, Missouri, 40°00'N 90°15'W
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Phosphorescent after dark
18. Shape Bird
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: See Incident #123

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 126

1. Date 30 April 1948
2. Time 1015
3. Location Anacostia, Naval Air Station, 38°52'N, 77°00'W
4. Name of observer Marcus L.Lowe
5. Occupation of observer Lt Commander, US Navy
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Air
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer One mile
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 4500 feet
12. Speed 100 m.p.h.
13. Direction of flight 360° N
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 25 - 40 ft diameter
17. Color Yellow (light colored)
18. Shape Sphere
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: The object appeared to the pilot to be a yellow (or light colored) balloon, and attracted attention principally because

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of its flight path. No external fittings or attachments were observed on the object. The speed of the object was estimated at about 100 m.p.h. The flight of the object was in approximately a south to north direction, despite upper winds from north northwest, and apparently followed a constant altitude. Pilot did not pursue object further because it was entering the prohibited flying area, U.S. Capitol, White House Area.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 127

1. Date 7 May 1948
2. Time N/S
3. Location Lake Doiran, along the Yugoslav-Greek frontier
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Ground
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 3000 feet
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight 180°
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound Like artillery shell (shrill whine)
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape Flying disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: A press dispatch quoted residents of the Lake Doiran area along the Yugoslav-Greek frontier as saying they saw a "flying

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disc". It was described as speeding southward from Yugoslavia at a height of about 3,000 feet, making a noise like an artillery shell.

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Incident # 128

1. Date 8 May 1948
2. Time Night
3. Location(Hobson) Middleport, Ohio, 30° 00' N, 82° 03' W
4. Name of observer Ben Rupe
5. Occupation of observer New York Central System Car Inspector
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Ground
8. Number of objects N/S
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 6 - 8 miles
12. Speed Great amount of speed
13. Direction of flight 90°
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 9" diameter from ground level
17. Color Phosphorescent
18. Shape Round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Phosphorescent trail in sky
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: The above covers sighting of same objects by Earl Roush, New York Central System Car Inspector; Bob White, New York Central

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Yard Clerk; and C. K. Hite, New York Central Patrolman. Patrolman Hite stated in addition that his attention was called to these objects by Car Inspector Ben Rupe. Upon observing the sky Hite saw disc-shaped objects traveling from west to east in succession in the same path at about two-minute intervals. Now and then one would "hook back apparently in the same path whence it had come." Occasionally one seemed to burst and disintegrate. For a resemblance, Hite said "Take a large clock face, cover it with radium, and sail it through the air."

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 31 May 1948 Incident # 129

2. Time 1320

3. Location Wilmington, North Carolina, 34° 14' N, 77° 57' W

4. Name of observer Mrs. H. D. Alspach

5. Occupation of observer N/S

6. Address of observer 709 South 6th

7. Place of observation Ground

8. Number of objects One

9. Distance of object from observer N/S

10. Time in sight N/S

11. Altitude Awfully high

12. Speed Fast

13. Direction of flight 90°

14. Tactics None

15. Sound N/S

16. Size As large as an arm, and about 3 feet long

17. Color N/S

18. Shape Oblong

19. Odor detected N/S

20. Apparent construction N/S

21. Exhaust trails Emitted smoke

22. Weather conditions N/S

23. Effect on clouds N/S

24. Sketches or photographs None

25. Manner of disappearance N/S

26. Remarks: Mysterious sky object was sighted by Mrs. Alspach, her sister Mrs. Colvin, and Mrs. H.D. Hufham. It came at first at a fast

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speed from the direction of Bluethenthal Field at 1:20 p.m., over the Cape Fear River, then veered at a low speed back towards Wrightsville, a little to the west.

The local office of the Civil Aeronautics administration discredited a supposition by Bluethenthal Field's station manager James Holomon, that object could have been a P-80 plane in flight. The CAA said there was no such plane in the sky there at the time.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident #130

1. Date 17th May 1948
2. Time Night
3. Location Between Plevna and Miles City, Montana
4. Name of observer W. A. Bonneville
5. Occupation of observer Territory Mgr., B. F. Goodrich Company
6. Address of observer 415 W. Rosser Ave., Bismark, N. D.
7. Place of observation Ground, Route #212, West of Plevna, traveling west
8. Number of objects One
9. Distance of object from observer At closest point, approx. 2500 feet
10. Time in sight Some twenty minutes
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Twice the speed of the Northwest Airlines planes
13. Direction of flight West, slightly south, then west
14. Tactics Performed arc
15. Sound None
16. Size Fairly large compared with an aircraft
17. Color White - (might have had slight bluish-white tinge)
18. Shape Ball
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S - but apparently meteor-like
21. Exhaust trails A long bright light shooting from under it
22. Weather conditions Moonlight, but cloudy
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None - Map forwarded showing location of object
25. Manner of disappearance Flew in a dark cloud bank
26. Remarks: See Supplement

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Minneapolis 3, Minnesota

415 West Rosser Ave
Bismark, N. D.
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United States Army - Intelligence Div.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

On the night of May 17th at about 11:30 PM driving from Baker, Montana to Miles City Montana on U.S. Highway #12 just West of Plevna, Montana before getting to the hills I noticed a very bright object in the sky to the Northwest. The sky was overcast in the West but to the South the moon could be seen at times - with a broken sky. Having traveled this same route for many years - about 15, I am pretty well used to open prairie road at night and can tell a star from an unusual object when I see it.

Northwest Airlines travel a Western route just North of this route also, but I stopped at the Powder River Bridge where the road dips considerably down from a high ridge - cut off my car motor and watched this object as it sailed around in the sky - which at times close and others seemed to speed away into the heavy cloud bank to the West and then later reappearing, at a very bright white light at what I would judge about not more than several miles away or closer. I carry a pair of field glasses with me, and after stopping the car engine watched this thing through my glasses, which seemed to appear as a small object with a long very bright light shooting from the under part of it. Because of the speed of the object and the darkness it was very difficult to make out what it might be, but I am sure that if I had had a more powerful glass I might have made it out.

I am perfectly sincere and do not drink so the foregoing is absolutely the truth. With some of this newspaper funabout flying saucers etc, this had all of the appearance of just that- and in stopping the car if this had been an aeroplane I would certainly have been able to hear the motors.

I stopped at a service station just before getting to the Powder River Bridge but they had all gone to bed so did not have anyone along with me to witness the object as it flew through the air. It stayed around this area for about 20 minutes and then flew off through the heavy cloud bank to the West.

I am enclosing a map showing the location of the foregoing.

Yours very truly,

The B. F. Goodrich Company

/s/ Wm. Bonneville
Territory Manager

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415 W. Rosser Avenue
Bismarck, N. Dakota
June 18, 1948

Col W. R. Clingerman
U. S. Army Air Forces
Wright Field
Dayton, Ohio

Refer - MCIAXO-3

Dear Sir: -

In reply to your letter of June 15th in which there are several questions which you desire answered to the best of my ability - with reference to the object which I saw flying through the air between Plevna and Miles City Montana on the night of May 17th, I will answer them and give you a graphic description again with a little more elaboration than my previous letter - if that is possible.

Question: - Did the entire object appear to be glowing, or did it give the effect of carrying lights. Answer: This thing seemed to be a ball of bright white light - and I could not make out if it was being carried or just what made it go - however, it did disturb me quite a little because after stopping to view it at the Powder River Bridge I could not hear motors humming such as an aircraft in these parts might have, and I therefore tried to find out just what it was by the use of my field glasses.

(b) Question: - An estimate of the size of the object in comparison with some other known object. Answer - the size of the light which was very brilliant would indicate that it was fairly large compared with aircraft - and I would say that this exceedingly bright light which was one light and not several was as bright as the headlight on a locomotive, only about three times that bright and without direction. By this I mean that this light simply glowed very bright and was not a directed light.

(c) Question: - An estimate of the speed of the object in comparison with the jet type or conventional aircraft. Answer: This object flew at about twice the speed of any aircraft that Northwest Airlines planes fly - because it would appear coming thro where I was traveling west on Highway #212 or #12 as we call it out here appearing only faintly first and then growing larger as it approached over the hills north of the highway - until it seemed to hang there off in the northwest of me brightly and then would turn south toward the highway where it became real bright and then would start back West again and fly out of sight. This thing did this several times - which actually got my goat - if I may put it that way. (d) Question: Did the object appear to be circling at random or didit follow a definite flight pattern. Answer: As I have explained before - the object appeared first when

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the West - then turning slightly South and turning in a big swing and then heading West again - flying out of sight into the dark black cloud bank out of sight - then reappearing, and it did this several times.
(e) Question: - Is it possible that its disappearance into a "heavy cloud bank" might have been caused by clouds obscuring reflected moonlight from a hig ly polished surface. Answer: - No - I have seen aircraft many times on moonlight nights - but this was not anything like that - this thing glowed brightly white light such as any real white brilliant light might. The moon was not bright enough to reflect polished light unless the craft might have been South of me in the direct light of the moon - which showed (the moon) from time to time through the clouds. This objedt was in theblack section of the sky over to the North of me and slightly west, and was a steady oncoming light growing brighter as it came, and had the appearance of something carrying this light in the air- but without sound, and it certainly was close enough to me to have heard motors.

I thought it might have been some kind of a jet aircraft that I perhaps had never seen - because we as civilians know very little as to what might be going on in defense or experimental mechanics however I felt it my duty to report the thing regardless as to what it might have been. This was somewhat difficult for me to do because of the crackpot stories making the rounds in some sections about flying saucers etc., but for the life of me this had all the ear marks of just that kind of a deal.

I have traveled this road about which I have releated this sighting many many times and at night Winter and Summer - and have never before in my life seen anything like this - so naturally I was somewhat alarmed about it, and have steadfastly kept the whole thing to myself. I will certainly be on the lookout for the damned thing the next trip I make through this same area which is generally after dark - because most of the time I work from Lemmon South Dakota or Hettinger North Dakota along this highway to Miles City which is about one days work with my Dealers. In times like these I feel as before stated anything of this nature which we are not familiar with we are duty bound to report to our Defense Forces who may be better equipped to understand the unfamiliar than we are.

Yours very truly,

W.A. BONNEVILLE - Territory Mgr
for the B. F. Goodrich Company

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1.	Date	20 June 1948
2.	Time	2230
3.	Location	Belleville, Illinois
4.	Name of observer	Lt Col Wm T. Hull
5.	Occupation of observer	Pilot, Supervisor of Flying Trng Scott AF Base
6.	Address of observer	Scott AF Base, Belleville, Illinois
7.	Place of observation	(?)
8.	Number of objects	1
9.	Distance of object from observer	N/S
10.	Time in sight	N/S
11.	Altitude	Undetermined but below 6,000 ft
12.	Speed	Approx 500 MPH
13.	Direction of flight	295° S of Base then 340° upon reaching south end of Scott AF Base
14.	Tactics	Zigzag course
15.	Sound	None
16.	Size	Six or eight inches in diameter
17.	Color	White light
18.	Shape	Approx round
19.	Odor detected	N/S
20.	Apparent construction	N/S
21.	Exhaust trails	None
22.	Weather conditions	Complete overcast at 6,000 ft
23.	Effect on clouds	N/S
24.	Sketches or photographs	None
25.	Manner of disappearance	N/S
26.	Remarks	No aircraft flying in the vicinity of Scott AF Base at the time light was sighted
27.	Disappearance: N/S	

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 12 Dec 1947
2. Time 2205 & 2208
3. Location Oslo, Norway
4. Name of observer Daughter to MA Kai E. Rasmussen, Col GSC
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Same as MA, Oslo, Norway
7. Place of observation Oslo, Norway (Ground)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Between two and three seconds
11. Altitude N/S (Apparently traveling fairly close to ground or would be visible to more people)
12. Speed Not quite as fast as a meteor
13. Direction of flight SSE-SSW to NNW-(?)
14. Tactics Performed arc of circle, curvature-very great
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color ~~Luminous~~ Intensely white with greenish-yellow tail
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction Meteor-like
21. Exhaust trails Greenish-yellow trail
22. Weather conditions No fog, sky clear and star-lit
23. Effect on clouds none
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance Trees obscured vision
26. Remarks: Office employee reports unusual no. of falling stars night of 13 Dec.
Univ Observatory has no record of incident.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

INCIDENT 133

1. Date 20 - 26 Feb 48
2. Time Usually around 2130 hours
3. Location N/S (Norway Denmark & Sweden)
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation N/S
8. Number of objects N/S
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude From tree-top level to 20,000 f
12. Speed one to two miles per second
13. Direction of flight Come from direction of Pennemunde
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color (green tail)
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S (~~xxxxxxx~~)
21. Exhaust trails green
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks The trend of these objects to appear at2130 hours might be significant.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident: 134

1. Date ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 28 May 1948

2. Time 1500 hours (Eastern Daylight Saving Time)

3. Location Selfridge Fld, Mt. Clemens, Mich from MacDill AF Base approx 6 miles east of Monroe, Michigan

4. Name of observer Lt Kokolonis

5. Occupation of observer 1st Lt, Corps of Engineers

6. Address of observer Selfridge Field

7. Place of observation 6 miles east of Monroe, Michigan

8. Number of objects 5 - three at first - two later

9. Distance of object from observer 2 miles to left (first 3)
2-1/2 miles to left (two)

10. Time in sight 10 to 15 seconds

11. Altitude 8,000 +

12. Speed over 500 MPH

(?) see sketch

13. Direction of flight seven o'clock position to 35° heading north. ~~35°~~ heading from MacDill to Selfridge making abrupt turn to right (pilot's left))

14. Tactics Maintained nose-up attitude. Made abrupt turns.

15. Sound None

16. Size 300 to 400 ft approx. - size of lake freighters (500 ft)

17. Color silvery-gold color

18. Shape disc

19. Odor detected N/S

20. Apparent construction N/S

21. Exhaust trails none

22. Weather conditions Clear - visibility: ~~eight~~ 10 to 15 miles
High overcast at 18,000 ft w/thin stratus layer very broken at 8,000

23. Effect on clouds N/S

24. Sketches or photographs Sketch showing approx positions

25. Manner of disappearance lost in haze at 7 o'clock position to pilot

26. Remarks Objects maintained smooth track thru sky, and flew in line of stern stepped up. In second sighting the second object flew about 50 feet higher than the first. All had hazy or fuzzy outline.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

INCIDENT 134a

1. Date 28 May 1948

2. Time 1500 hours (Eastern Daylight Saving Time)

3. Location Enroute to Selfridge Fld., Mt. Clemens, Mich f/MacDill Fld
Position: 6 miles due east of Monroe, Michigan

4. Name of observer M/Sgt Ernest Davis, Jr. (colored)

5. Occupation of observer M/Sgt

6. Address of observer Selfridge Field

7. Place of observation 6 miles due east of Monroe, Michigan

8. Number of objects 2

9. Distance of object from observer 25 to 30 miles to ~~xxx~~ left

10. Time in sight 30 seconds

11. Altitude approx 8,000 ft

12. Speed ~~xxxx xxxx~~ Over 400 miles per hour

13. Direction of flight South West from 35° at 8:00 o'clock position

14. Tactics Pursued straight course

15. Sound N/S

16. Size Appeared to be four feet in diameter

17. Color Shiny brass

18. Shape round

19. Odor detected N/S

20. Apparent construction N/S

21. Exhaust trails None

22. Weather conditions Clear, high overcast at 18,000 ft; thin stratus layer broken at 8,000 ft, lateral visibility: 10 to 15 miles

23. Effect on clouds N/S

24. Sketches or photographs Sketch

25. Manner of disappearance N/S

26. Remarks Discrepancy as to position of 2nd object in group 2 as sighted by Lt Kokolomis (Inc 134)
Witness perceived only top-side of object. Objects seen flying over wooded section

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

INCIDENT: 135

1. Date — Between 15th & 20th Aug 47
2. Time — 2130 MST
3. Location — Rapid City AF Base, Weaver, S.D.
4. Name of observer — Maj Elmer H. Hammer, Jr. (AO-46014)
5. Occupation of observer — Intel Officer, 28th Bombardment Group (VR)
6. Address of observer — Rapid City AFBase, Weaver, S. D.
7. Place of observation — Weaver, S. D.
8. Number of objects — 12 (Approx)
9. Distance of object from observer — 4 miles
10. Time in sight — N/S
11. Altitude — 10,000 ft to approx 6,000 ft.
12. Speed — 500 MPH +
13. Direction of flight — Approached first from NW then turn to right and disappeared in SW
14. Tactics — tight diamond-shaped formation
15. Sound — no noise heard
16. Size — Length: 100+ ft estimate
17. Color — Yellowish-white - brilliant
18. Shape — Elliptical
19. Odor detected — N/S
20. Apparent construction — N/S
21. Exhaust trails — None
22. Weather conditions — Clear, no clouds, stars visible, wind, calm visibility 30+
23. Effect on clouds — none
24. Sketches or photographs — Sketches
25. Manner of disappearance — Disappeared on a SW heading
26. Remarks — There appears to be minor discrepancies as to speed and altitude in the report given verbally to Glasebrook and 1 tr to this Hq f/Maj Hammer

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CHECK LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident: 136

1. Date: 30 June 1948
2. Time: 2140
3. Location S. Knoxville, Tenn.
4. Name of Observer: Mrs Whitehouse
5. Occupationof observer: wife of Maj Harvey J. Whitehouse
   Commanding Officer, ASU, 3319 Tennessee
6. Address of observer: see above
7. Place of observation South Knoxville, Tenn
8. Number of objects: 1
9. Distance of object from observer: N/S
10. Time in sight: 3 minutes (according to Mrs Whitehouse)
    3 seconds (according to ORC instructors)
11. Altitude: 30,000 ft
12. Speed 1,000 MPH
13. ~~West~~ Direction of flight: West
14. Tactics: N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size: N/S
17. Color: orange
18. Shape: Ball
19. Odor detected: N/S
20. Apparent construction "fire"
21. Exhaust trails "streamer of bluish color trailing"
22. Weather conditions: N/S
23. Effect on clouds: N/S
24. Sketches or photographs: none
25. Manner of disappearance: Over horizon
26. Remarks: (over)

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At approximately 2140 hours, 30 June, a ball of fire of orange color with a streamer of bluish color trailing, traveled thru the sky in a westerly direction and disappeared over the horizon to the west. The object traveld at a very fast rate of speed. No sound was heard.

Witnesses: Mrs. Whitehouse, wife of Maj Harvey J. Whitehouse, C. O., ASU 3319 Tennesee
ORC instructors, Knoxville, Tenn.
Mr. Tryus W. Setliff (See Incident 136a)

Mrs. Whitehouse stated that the object remained visible for approximately 3 minutes and that the streamer emitted sparks.

Mr. Setliff stated that the object was visible for about 3 seconds and traveled at an estimated speed of 1,000 miles per hour at an altitude of about 30,000 feet.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

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1. Date 30 June 1948
2. Time 2140
3. Location S. Knoxville, Tenn
4. Name of observer Mr Tryus W. Setliff
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Oakridge, Tennessee
7. Place of observation Knoxville, Tenn
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 3 seconds
11. Altitude ~~1,000 miles per hour~~ 30,000 ft
12. Speed 1,000 MPH
13. Direction of flight Westerly
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Orange Color
18. Shape Ball
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction Fire
21. Exhaust trails Bluish Color
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Over horizon to West
26. Remarks

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INCIDENT SUMMARY SHEET
(To be filled out and retained in files)

1. Date of Observation 7 July 1948 . . . . Incident # 137

2. Time of Observation 2114 and 2115 . . .

3. Where was Object(s) Sighted . Chapel Hill, North Carolina . . . . . .

4. Observer's Position On ground at Chapel, N.C. . . . . .
(i.e. ground, air, control tower, etc.)

5. Name and Address of Observer University of North Carolina . . . . . .

6. Occupation and/or Hobbies . Mathematics Instructor . . . . . .

7. Attention Attracted to Object (s) By . . . . . .

8. Number of Object(s) Sighted . 3 . . . . . .

9. Size of Object(s) . 3 1/2" in length viewed perspectively - about size of a/c . .

10. Color of Object(s) . . . . . .

11. Shape (Sketch if Possible) Blunt front tapering to a point in the rear . . . .
shaped like a cigar.

12. Nature of Luminosity . . . . . .

13. Estimated Distance of Object from Observer Far . . . . . .

14. Speed of Object(s) . High Speed . . . . . .

15. Time in Sight . Approximately 1 minute . . . . . .

16. Tactics Did not pursue a general course, but moved generally North . . . . . .

17. Sound Made by Object(s) . . . . . .

18. Direction of Flight of Object(s) East NorthEast . . . . . .

19. Apparent Construction (Of What Material or Substance) . . . . . .

20. Effect of Objects on Clouds and/or Exhaust Trail . Not visible . . . . . .

21. Weather Conditions Existing at the Time . Clear . . . . . .

22. Peculiarities Noted . . . . . .

23. Summary of Incident Objects seemed to have a blunt front which tapered to a point in the rear shaped like a cigar. Appeared about the size of an airplane in the sky. They were about 3- 1/2" in length. They didn't have any wings or any apparent means of getting around in the sky. . . . . .

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 137a

1. Date 7 Jul 48
2. Time 2114 and 2115
3. Location Chapel Hill, N. C.
4. Name of observer H. W. Daniels
5. Occupation of observer Capt., Infantry, Reserve
6. Address of observer Box 188, Chapel Hill
7. Place of observation Chapel Hill, N. C.
8. Number of objects three (3)
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Approximately one (1) minute
11. Altitude Extreme
12. Speed High
13. Direction of flight East Northeast
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound Jet
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Not Visible
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks:

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INCIDENT SUMMARY SHEET
(To be filled out and retained in files)

1. Date of Observation . 8 July 1948 . . . . Incident # 138

2. Time of Observation . 0920 hrs . . . . .

3. Where was Object(s) Sighted . Columbus Ohio . . . . . .

4. Observer's Position . Ground, Columbus, Ohio . . . . . .
(i.e. ground, air, control tower, etc.)

5. Name and Address of Observer . Mrs Wilda Zittek, 2579 Avalon Ave, Columbus . . . Ohio . . . . . .

6. Occupation and/or Hobbies . Housewife . . . . . .

7. Attention Attracted to Object (s) By . . . . . .

8. Number of Object(s) Sighted . 2 . . . . . .

9. Size of Object(s) . With binoculars (Type M-3, 6.x.30) about 3.1/2" in length . .

10. Color of Object(s) . Silver . . . . . .

11. Shape (Sketch if Possible) . Like a cigar or torpedo . . . . . .

12. Nature of Luminosity . . . . . .

13. Estimated Distance of Object from Observer - Altitude was about 3000' . . . . .

14. Speed of Object(s) . fast . . . . . .

15. Time in Sight . . four (4) minutes . . . . . .

16. Tactics . bobbed up and down . . . . . .

17. Sound Made by Object(s) . none . . . . . .

18. Direction of Flight of Object(s) . First headed North East then North . . . . .

19. Apparent Construction (Of What Material or Substance) . Metallic . . . . . .

20. Effect of Objects on Clouds and/or Exhaust Trail . No clouds . . . . . .

21. Weather Conditions Existing at the Time . clear sunlight, no clouds . . . . . .

22. Peculiarities Noted - Mrs Zittek said that the objects looked like something going through air currents. They had a blunt nose and the tail was obscured. At first they looked like a dark blot. Both ends were indistinct. They were visible for three or four minutes and began to fade away.

23. Summary of Incident NOTE: Subjects powers of observation were checked on a/c flying in the area and were found to be good as far as direction and movement but poor for distance and altitude. Patterson Field stated 2, F-80's were in the air at the time of sighting -- Cont'd next page

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Capt Darnell, pilot of one P-80 was flying a loose formation in trail of Lt. Collins while pacing him in a calibrated speed check. The aircraft were not equipped with wing tanks (Tip). The pilots stated that they were in the Columbus Area. Mrs Zittek's position was from a three quarter position at sighting.

An article was published by the Columbus News Paper, Columbus, Ohio, 8 July 1948.

Information received from Captain Boyd, District Intelligence Office, 320 Old Post Office, Columbus, Ohio

Unconventional aircraft sighted by Mrs. Wilda Zittek, 2579 Avalon Ave., Columbus at 0920 on 8 July. Weather was clear, sun shining brightly, no clouds near the object. She first saw the object with her naked eye, then spent two minutes looking for binoculars. Observed the object for about two minutes with them. There were two flying objects; both appeared to have a blunt front and seemed to taper to a point at the rear. The shape was very much like a cigar. The sun was shining on them and they appeared to be silver in color. With the naked eye, they appeared to be about the size of airplane when writing in the sky. They were about 3½" in length and 1" in diameter. In other words, they seemed to be a little more than three times the diameter in length. Speed was not estimated. Observed for approximately four minutes. When first seen, they were headed northeast. Seemed to bob up and down rather than pursuing a set and steady course. Altitude was judged to be approximately 3000 ft. No sound audible from the object; no exhaust trail visible. First seen in east going toward Fort Columbus, then moved generally north from there. Binoculars were M3 6X30. 1943 HMR

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The following was broadcast over radio this morning (9 Jul) but persons not yet interviewed: On 7 July, five members of one family saw the objects which looked like pie pans, directly over Fort Columbus.

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Interrogation

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1. Contacted Captain Dwight I. Boyd, District Intelligence Officer, 109 CIC Detachment, Old Post Office Building, Columbus, Ohio, at 0900, 10 July 1948. Read the agents' report and proceeded with the agent to the home of Mrs. Paul Vittek, 2579 Avalon Avenue, Columbus, Ohio

2. Interviewed Mrs. Vittek and received the same information as contained in the agents' report (WD AGO Form 341) except that the bobbing movement described there was brought out to be a smooth undulating movement "like something going through air currents".

3. The subject stated that the object was cigar shaped, with a blunt nose and the tail obscured. "I couldn't make it out plain. It was like a dark blot". The main thing that had attracted her attention was the sunlight reflected from the shiny center of the object, both ends being indistinct.

4. The subjects' powers of observation were checked on aircraft flying in the area and were found to be good as far as direction and movement were concerned, but poor for distance and altitude. The binoculars were checked and found to be Type M-3, 6 x 30, with artillary mil scales imposed. No blemishes or defects in the optics were found. The subject had no acurate idea as to the amount of the mil scale the object occupied.

5. A check at Patterson Field Operations showed two F-80's in the air at the time of the sighting. Contacted Captain Darnell, MCRFOF, the pilot of one of the F-80's who stated that he was in the Columbus area at the time of sighting. He was flying a loose formation in trail of Lt. Collins while pacing him on a calibrated speed check. The aircraft were not equipped with wing tip tanks.

6. In view of the fact that Mrs. Vittek's sight of the objects was from a three quarter rear position it is highly possible they were the two F-80's in the Columbus area as this position from a distance lends itself to a distortion comparable to what she saw, i.e. blunt nose, obscure tail, and apparent lack of wings.

7. A check was made with the Intelligence Officer at the Port Columbus Naval Air Station with negative results.

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CLARENCE R. GLASEBROOK
1st Lt., USAF
ATI Branch, Operations Section
Technical Intelligence Div

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 139

1. Date 9 Jul 48
2. Time 2147
3. Location North end of Osborn, Ohio
4. Name of observer Clarence Glasebrook, 1st Lt., USAF, Hq AMC (MCIAXO-4)
5. Occupation of observer ATI Investigator
6. Address of observer Hq AMC (MCIAXO-4)
7. Place of observation ground
8. Number of objects one
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Appeared 3 times each time being 1-2 second duration
11. Altitude 3000 to 4000 feet
12. Speed between 500 & 600
13. Direction of flight west (east to west)
14. Tactics Made intermittent appearances at regulated intervals
15. Sound None
16. Size could not be estimated
17. Color pale yellowish white (luminous)
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear w/quarter moon in the East-Southeast.
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Suddenly at angle of approx. 70° to horizon in front of observer who was looking north
26. Remarks:

Lt. Glasebrook was a reconnaissance pilot in World War II.

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Unidentified Flying Object

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1. At 2147 hours on 9 July 1948, the undersigned sighted an unidentified object flying from east to west at approximately three or four thousand feet over the north end of Osborn, Ohio.

2. The object appeared as a pale yellowish white light that seemed to glow. It was not a direct beam. The light was traveling at a rate of speed between five or six hundred miles. It appeared long enough to allow the observer to determine its flight path (approximately one to two seconds) and then went out. There was a pause of three seconds, the light then reappeared again for the same length of time, another three-second pause and the pattern was repeated. After the third appearance it was not seen again. The final sighting was made with the object at an angle of approximately [illegible] to the horizon in front of the observer who was looking north. The last sighting was slightly above the horizon to the west, just north of Pattern Field. The intermittent appearance of the light was at a regulated interval.

3. The sky was clear with about a quarter moon rising in the East-southeast; however, nothing could be ascertained except the glow of the light. There was no sound or trail.

4. The undersigned was a reconnaissance pilot in World War II and served for eight months in the 160th Reconnaissance Sqd. (J.P.) flying FP-80 type aircraft. It is believed that his powers of observation are above average and that the estimates of speed can be considered to be fairly accurate.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 140a

1. Date 1 July 1948
2. Time Between 2100 and 2200 hours
3. Location Gahanna, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mr Jack Taylor
5. Occupation of observer N/S but now active in National Guard
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Gahanna, Ohio (ground)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 2 seconds
11. Altitude 3000 to 4000 ft
12. Speed terrific
13. Direction of flight Northeast to Southwest
14. Tactics Pursued ~~straightline~~ flat line of flight
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color bright yellow-white
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction luminous
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Clear - bright moonlight
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Mr. Chester Taylor gave the same version as that of his son. Mrs. Taylor apparently did not observe the phenomenon.

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Interrogation

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1. Proceeded to the home of Mr. Howard Enslow in Gahanna, Ohio, with an Agent of the 109th CIC Detachment at 1000, 10 July 1948.

2. Interviewed Mrs. Howard Enslow who stated that on the night of 1 July 1948 between 2100 and 2200 hours, she, Mr. Enslow, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Taylor and their Sons, Harold and Jack, of 400 Grove St., Columbus, Ohio, sighted an unidentified object flying through the air. Mrs. Enslow described it as a "Beautiful golden saucer glowing like a halo with a silver rim around it." Direction of flight was from Northeast to Southwest and the object was visible for approximately therr seconds. Subject was very vague a and appeared to attribute the phenomena to holy visitations. Was unable to contact Mr. Enslow.

3. Proceeded to the home of Mr. Chester Taylor and interviewed his son Jack, age 23, who had three years service and is now active in the National Guard. He stated that the object was a bright yellow-white light that moved through the sky at a terrific rate of speed. It was a glow and not a directed light and was about two seconds in duration. It ditn't fade out but ceased abruptly. The line of flight appeared to be flat and the object appeared from the Northeast going Southwest, at an altitude of about three or four thousand.feet. There was no audible noise although it was a quiet night and the object appeared close in at an angle to the horizon of about forty-five degrees. Although the sky was clear and the moon was bright nothing but the light was seen.

4. Mr. Taylor's story was the same as that of his son's. Mrs. Taylor was in the car and did not observe the phenomena. The other witness was not readily available.

5. Proceeded to the sight of the observation and determined that, under the conditions of course and altitude as estimated by the subject, it was possible that their line of vision was restricted by a grove of trees thus limiting the observed line of flight to the two three-second periods reported.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # ~~141~~ 141

1. Date 30 June 1948

2. Time 11:25 A. M., to 1:27 PM and shortly thereafter

3. Location Hecla, South Dakota

4. Name of observer Norman Pfutzenreuter

5. Occupation of observer Chemical Engineer - Amateur Astronomer

6. Address of observer Hecla, South Dakota

7. Place of observation Between Watertown, S. D., & Webster, S. D.

8. Number of objects 1

9. Distance of object from observer N/S

10. Time in sight Slightly over two hours

11. Altitude 150 miles (?)

12. Speed Stationary

13. Direction of flight Stationary

14. Tactics Remained in one approx position then disintegrated

15. Sound None

16. Size N/S

17. Color Like polished aluminum

18. Shape Changing

19. Odor detected None

20. Apparent construction Seemed to be a cluster of parts

21. Exhaust trails Particles of disintegrating mass left very faint trails of vapor

22. Weather conditions Brilliantly clear (CAVU) - Wind velocity 3 MPH

23. Effect on clouds No clouds

24. Sketches or photographs Map showing locations of sightings

25. Manner of disappearance Disintegrated into smaller pieces

26. Remarks: Object appeared as cluster of parts which remained fairly stationary and constant for some two hours when it underwent a rather slow change in shape. A large chunk fell off. Within the next 2-1/2 minutes the entire spot started to very slowly disintegrate. Three larger parts moved

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away out from the mass and formed a perfect isometric triangle, the remaining mass slowly moved into hu dreds of small parts seemingly leaving very faint vapor trails. The three remaining parts continued to move apart holding their related positions of a perfect triangle but gradually getting smaller and fainter until they dissappeared some 9 minutes after the initial break-up. It could ~~xxxxx~~ easily be seen that the parts were moving away from the earth.

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Incident # 142

1. Date
2. Time
3. Location
4. Name of observer Mr. Charles W. Shangle, Jr.
5. Occupation of observer
6. Address of observer Boise, Idaho
7. Place of observation
8. Number of objects
9. Distance of object from observer
10. Time in sight
11. Altitude
12. Speed
13. Direction of flight
14. Tactics
15. Sound
16. Size
17. Color
18. Shape
19. Odor detected
20. Apparent construction
21. Exhaust trails
22. Weather conditions
23. Effect on clouds
24. Sketches or photographs
25. Manner of disappearance
26. Remarks:

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Incident # 143

1. Date
2. Time
3. Location
4. Name of observer Mrs. Felix G. Matthews
5. Occupation of observer
6. Address of observer Columbia, South Carolina
7. Place of observation
8. Number of objects
9. Distance of object from observer
10. Time in sight
11. Altitude
12. Speed
13. Direction of flight
14. Tactics
15. Sound
16. Size
17. Color
18. Shape
19. Odor detected
20. Apparent construction
21. Exhaust trails
22. Weather conditions
23. Effect on clouds
24. Sketches or photographs
25. Manner of disappearance
26. Remarks:

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 144

1. Date 24 July 48
2. Time 0245
3. Location 20 miles south of Montgomery, Ala
4. Name of observer Pilot Clarence Shipe Chiles & Co-Pilot John B. Whitted & Mr. McKelvie, (Occupation - N/S)
5. Occupation of observer Pilot and Co-pilot, EAL
6. Address of observer Atlanta Office of EAL
7. Place of observation Air - 20 miles south of Montgomery, Ala
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer s N/S
10. Time in sight 5 to 10 seconds
11. Altitude 5,000 ft
12. Speed 500 to 700 MPH (See Atlanta Constitution of 25 July 48)
13. Direction of flight Southwest toward Mobile and New Orleans
14. Tactics Pulled up sharply with tremendous burst of flame (Atlanta Constitution - 25 July 48)
15. Sound none
16. Size 100 ft long and about twice the diameter of "B-29"
17. Color N/S
18. Shape cigar-shaped
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails red-orange flame blue fluorescent glow running beneath the object
22. Weather conditions Full moon, clear with broken cloud coverage of 4/10 at 6,000 ft
23. Effect on clouds N/S - pulled up into one
24. Sketches or photographs 2
25. Manner of disappearance Disappeared intoa cloud
26. Remarks: See attached statements

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 144a

1. Date 24 July 48
2. Time 0230
3. Location Near Blackstone, Va. enroute to Raleigh-Durham
4. Name of observer Louis Feldwary
5. Occupation of observer pilot
6. Address of observer LGA
7. Place of observation Air - near Blackstone, Va.
8. Number of objects Only trail seen
9. Distance of object from observer n/s
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed terrific speed -
13. Direction of flight 230°
14. Tactics Trail covered an 80° to 90° arc laterally
15. Sound N/S)
16. Size N/S)
17. Color N/S) Only trail perceived - object was not seen
18. Shape N/S)
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Seemed to be a jet or rocket trail
22. Weather conditions at 0230 at Blackstone: 0/70 0 4GF 112/73/72/ wsw 5/987. Greensboro and Raleigh-~~Durah~~ Durham had 0/15 plus
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Shortly after checking Blackstone, at approx 0230, a trail was picked up that appeared to be a jet or rocket trail. The object leaving the trail was traveling at terrific speed in a southwesterly direction and as nearly as they could estimate they calculated the degree of travel as 230°.

They were on a heading at the time of 215°. The jet or rocket trail at no time crossed their flight path. It was on the distant western horizon at approx 20° above the horizon. The trail covered an 80° to 90° arc laterally.

NOTE: There is a 15 minute difference in time f/this sighting (0230) to the rocket sighting at 0245 in ~~Atlanta~~ Montgomery some 400 to 475 miles distant.

NOTE: The above time (0230) tallies with another sighting by another pilot in the vicinity of Blackstone, Va. who saw a very unusual meteor that appeared to be on a bearing of about 210° from them traveling in a southerly direction above but close to the horizon.

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Supplement to Trip Report to Columbus, Ohio - 31 July 1948
Re: Atlanta Sighting

THRU: Col Clingerman

TO: Col McCoy

1. The object of this trip was to interview C. L. McKelvie, a passenger aboard the Eastern Airlines DC-3, the night of 24 July 1948.

2. Mr. McKelvie's written statement is essentially as follows: He was occupying the 5th or 6th seat from the front of the plane on the right and would periodically glance out the window. There was a full moon which illuminated the ground and the skies and the ground could clearly be seen. Frequently they passed cumulus clouds. On one occasion as he was looking out he observed a sudden streak of light moving in a southeastern direction across the airway above the plane. He wondered if it were lightning but observed the flame moved in a straight line and not in a flare. The color was bright flame - he thought it was probably a light cherry red - although the edges were more of a yellow flame. He shifted his position in his seat for better observation, momentarily losing sight of it. Then he saw it again. He estimated the flame to be about 1/2 as far above the plane as the plane was above the ground. He saw no physical shape - only a streak of flame moving in a straight line. The whole experience was momentary so that detailed observation was absent. He heard no sound but stated that the vibration of the plane was much greater than normal and that it was not possible to hear any sound from the outside.

3. In the interview Mr. McKelvie stated to Maj Llewellyn that the pilots seemed quite excited and that they appeared nervous over the episode.

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Atlanta, Ga.
Aug 3, 1948

Mr. S. L. Shannon
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Miami, Fla.

The following is a report of an unidentified aircraft which was sighted by John Whitted and me, as we were twenty miles southwest of Montgomery, Ala. July 24, 1948, as we were on Eastern's trip 576.

At 2:45 A. M. we were cruising at 5,000 feet when there came, what looked like a Jet type of aircraft to our right and slightly above meeting us. It was a clear moonlight night with the visibility excellent; therefore, we were able to view the ship as it passed for a period of around ten seconds. It was clear there were no wings present, that it was powered by some jet or other type of power shooting flame from the rear some fifty feet. There were two rows of windows, which indicated an upper and lower deck, from inside these windows a very bright light was glowing. Underneath the ship there was a blue glow of light.

After it passed it pulled up into some light broken clouds and was lost from view. There was no prop wash or rough air felt as it passed.

After talking to the only passenger awake at the time, he saw only the trail of fire as it passed and pulled into the clouds. I called the company at Columbus and asked if there was any reported jet army craft and requested if the ATC had any aircraft under control. I was told that no such craft was reported by either source.

/s/ C. S. Chiles

C. S. Chiles
Capt E. A. L.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 144b

1. Date 24 July 48
2. Time 0230
3. Location Between Blackstone, Va. and Greensboro, N. C.
4. Name of observer Capt Perry R. Mansfield,
5. Occupation of observer Capt on 571/23 EAL
6. Address of observer EAL
7. Place of observation Between Blackstone, Va. and Greensboro, N. C.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 3 seconds
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed meteoric
13. Direction of flight southerly
14. Tactics traveling horizontally
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S -
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions ~~N/S~~ CAVU
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance "died out" in the distance
26. Remarks: (over)

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At about 0230 on July 24, 1948, C. Kingsley/pilot and Capt Perry R. Mansfield saw what they thought was an unusual meteor. It was brighter than any ever seen before and traveling in a horizontal direction, slightly above the horizon. It was observed for 3 seconds before it died out. At no time did it appear to travel in a downward direction. Kingsley & Mansfield discussed the matter that the meteor appeared to be traveling horizontally.

At the time they were traveling between Blackstone, Va., and Greensboro, S. C.. The sky was clear and the visibility unlimited. They were ona magnetic heading of 240° and estimated the object to be on a bearing of about 210° from them - that is - about 30 ° to the left of their heading. It appeared to be traveling in a southerly direction, above, but close to the horizon.

NOTE: There is a 15 minute variance in ~~time~~ time f/this sighting (0230) to the rocket sighting at 0245 in ~~Atlanta~~ Montgomery some 400 to 475 miles distant. The time (0230) also tallies with Inc 144a Pilot Louis Feldwary's account of sighting a jet or rocket trail just after leaving Blackstone.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 145

1. Date 9 July 1948

2. Time 1205 AST

3. Location Fielding Lake

4. Name of observers 1st Lt Dominick J. Caramia & Thomas B. Carpenter

5. Occupation of observers (VLR) Photo

6. Address of observers 72nd RCN Squadron (VLR) Photographic c/o APO 731, c/o Postmaster Seattle Washington

7. Place of observation Fielding Lake, Alaska (63°11' - 145° 40' W

8. Number of objects Approximately 20

9. Distance of object from observer 5,000 + above

10. Time in sight 5 seconds or less

11. Altitude 5,000 + immediately below the clouds

12. Speed over 500 MPH

13. Direction of flight From WNW to ESE

14. Tactics Jockeyed back and forth in the group formation (gave impression of shotgun blast pattern) but maintained straight course.

15. Sound Loud roaring sound heard (thought it was strong wind) before objects were sighted; sound sharpened into a buzz as they approached and passed.

16. Size dot

17. Color grayish black

18. Shape ~~N/S but apparently xxxxx from~~ Spheroid or disc-shaped

19. Odor detected N/S

20. Apparent construction N/S

21. Exhaust trails none visible

22. Weather conditions bright and sunny w/ $\frac{5}{10}$ strato-cumulus cloud coverage

23. Effect on clouds none - flew immediately below them

24. Sketches or photographs sketch

25. Manner of disappearance N/S

26. Remarks: The objects resembled a group of dots, grayish black in color and numbering about 20. They were plainly visible and either spheroid or disc shaped. They appeared to be jockeying back and

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forth in the group formation which gave the overall impression of a shotgun blast pattern. The objects were thought to be moving in excess of 500 MPH at approximately 5,000 ft (immediately below the clouds) from WNW to ESE and were definitely flying a straight course. Just before they were sighted a loud roaring sound was heard which was attributed to a strong wind blowing through the surrounding woods. However, as the objects approached and passed, the sound sharpened into a buzz much like that made by a group of jet aircraft. No exhaust trails were visible. There were no photographs available.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 17 July 1948 Incident # 146
2. Time 1650
3. Location Vicinity of San Acacia Dam, 65 miles south of Albuquerque
4. Name of observers M/Sgt Wm R. Carter & M/Sgt Bernard E. Harvey
5. Occupation of observers ~~N/S~~ Carter: Armament technician
   Harvey: experienced AF non-com
6. Address of observer 428th AFBU Kirtland AF Base
7. Place of observation Vicinity of San Acacia Dam
8. Number of objects 7
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 20,000 ft
12. Speed 1,500 MPH (if estimated altitude correct)
13. Direction of flight northerly heading (between north and northwest)
14. Tactics Maintained formation
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Color of aluminum aircraft at high altitude
18. Shape When overhead: circular. After passing zenith: indeterminate
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction metallic
21. Exhaust trails none
22. Weather conditions CAVU At 20,000 ft wind velocity 8 to 10 miles
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance ~~N/S~~ In northwest
26. Remarks: (over)

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About 65 miles south of Albuquerque 7 unidentified objects flying on northerly heading were observed. Objects initially in V formation at an estimated altitude of 20,000 ft above earth. Formation varied from "V" to "L" to "Q" and then grouped in an irregular formation and a regular pulsating flashing light was observed from them after they had passed 30° beyond zenith. The shape was difficult to ascertain. When directly overhead they were circular and resembled a cluster of balloons traveling at a great rate of speed. The color was that of aluminum at high altitude (or white painted aircraft). It the altitude estimation is correct the speed could be estimated as 1500 MPH. There was no vapor, smoke or other trail visible. They did not appear spherical when viewed at oblique angle. Disappeared on heading between north and northwest.

AGENTS NOTES: Sgt Carter is a sober industrious, level headed individual, an armament technician of outstanding ability. Definitely not the type to experience hallucinations. Info received in other instances from this individual in each instance proven accurate.

Sgt Harvey is an experienced AF non-com accustomed to the sight of aircraft at various altitudes and speeds.

EVALUATION OF INFORMANTS: "A"
OF INFORMATION: 3.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 147

1. Date 27 July 1948
2. Time 2200
3. Location Springfield, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. H. H. Gibson
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 1217 East Main St.
7. Place of observation Springfield, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 3 seconds
11. Altitude Great height
12. Speed That of a jet plane
13. Direction of flight Heading North
14. Tactics None - traveled in a straight line
15. Sound None
16. Size Witness stated object resembled a "huge ball"
17. Color N/S
18. Shape Round
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Bright red tail of fire.
22. Weather conditions Some thunder and lightning
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Flew out of sight
26. Remarks: See attached

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Various parts of North Jutland have reported that on 19 Jan 48 at 7:30 AM the ~~[illegible]~~ so-called flying saucers were observed. The phenomena has been observed in Hjerring, the Scaw and Hjerup. The objects were surrounded by a bluish light and had tail of green light, moving east west. One observer thought they looked like three balls. Several observers in the Scaw say they were rocket-like objects which suddenly stopped, exploded and disappeared.

M/A COMMENT: Impossible to get any verification of this from Danish officials or Danish War Ministry.

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Incident # 148

1. Date 28 July 1948
2. Time 0400
3. Location Springfield, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. Rose Henry
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 826 Dibert Avenue, Springfield, Ohio
7. Place of observation 826 Dibert Ave., Springfield, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 1st time: 5 minutes; 2d time: 15 minutes
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Remained nearly stationary
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics Hovering
15. Sound ~~N/S~~ Witness thought she heard sound of plane before she sighted object
16. Size About the size of a basketball
17. Color Intense yellow
18. Shape Round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Faded away
26. Remarks: See attached

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 149

1. Date 19 Jan 48
2. Time 7:30 AM
3. Location North Jutland (Hjerrin, the Scaw and Hjerup)
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S

) Taken from OMA R-34-48 (NAD 11796) as prepared by Lt Col Franklin E. Tomlinson

7. Place of observation North Jutland
8. Number of objects ~~N/S~~ Three
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed apparently rocket-like
13. Direction of flight ~~N/S~~ East - West
14. Tactics "suddenly stopped, exploded and disappeared"
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape ball - saucer
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction rocket-like objects
21. Exhaust trails ~~[illegible]~~ tail of green light
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Exploded and disappeared
26. Remarks: (over)

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 150

1. Date Approx 1 Mar 48
2. Time - 0930 hours
3. Location Swedish Coast
4. Name of observer N/S - a Norwegian pilot
5. Occupation of observer ONL pilot
6. Address of observer N/S Material taken from MA R-130-48 NAD 20560
7. Place of observation Air - enroute from Aalberg, Denmark to Oslo, Norway
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 4 seconds
11. Altitude 20,000 ft
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight Southeast - passing along Swedish Coast and disappearing over Norway
14. Tactics N/S - flight path followed earth's surface
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S but ~~XXXXXXX~~ emitted a bluish-green flame
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Over Norway
26. Remarks: (over)

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An ONL plane enroute from Aalberg, Denmark, to Oslo, Norway, sighted a projectile coming from the southeast, passing along the Swedish Coast and disappearing over Norway. The missile was at 20,000 ft and disappeared over the horizon in four seconds. It emitted a bluish-green flame but left no trail in the sky. The projectile seemed to follow the earhh's surface.

NOTE: Similar missiles have been observed at Rjuken, Norway & Finse, Norway.
In this connection, it is of interest to know that heavy water is currently being produced in Rjuken.

Observers: A Norwegian pilot and his co-pilot.
The pilot served with the Royal Norwegian AF in Great Britain.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 151

1. Date 29 July 1948
2. Time 0955
3. Location Northeastern part of Indianapolis, Indiana (See attached sketch of location)
4. Name of observers Mr. James W. Toney & Mr. Robert Huggins
5. Occupation of observers ~~Toneyx~~ Both employees of W. O. Jones Rug Cleaners
6. Address of observer Toney: 235 So Bradley, Indianapolis
   Huggins: 5040 Indianaola, Indianapolis
7. Place of observation (See attached drawing of location)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S - not over a few hundred feet
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 30 feet - just above tree-tops
12. Speed 25 to 30 MPH
13. Direction of flight Headed south in bank to left
14. Tactics gliding with no apparent spinning action
15. Sound no discernible sound
16. Size 6 to 8 feet long by 1-1/2 to 2 feet wide (See attach drwg.)
17. Color Aluminum and shiny in color
18. Shape Shaped like a broad short propeller (See attached drwg.)
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction Aluminum construction
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions CAVU - no clouds
23. Effect on clouds No clouds
24. Sketches or photographs 2
25. Manner of disappearance Went down in wooded area (seemingly)
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object was shaped like a broad short propeller approximately 6 to 8 ft long, each blade approximately 2 feet wide and approximately one foot thick with cups on upper side of blades. It appeared aluminum and shiny in color. Traveled approximately 25 to 30 MPH. It was sighted just above the trees at approximately a 30 ft altitude in bank to the left of approx 20° and appeared in a slight descent. There was no discernible sound and no exhaust trail.

NOTE: Truck had just started across bridge (see drwg) when object was sighted directly ahead above the trees. Witnesses stopped on the other side of the cantilever bridge but could not relocate object.

Search by Lt John E. Hoskins, Base PIO, and Lt Russell J. Carey, Jr. Base Intel Off. (331st AFBU) Res Tng Stout Fld. did not produce any result. However the area in which it was believed to have fallen is densely wooded with many hills and valleys. See diagram attached.

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These are round cups which protrude

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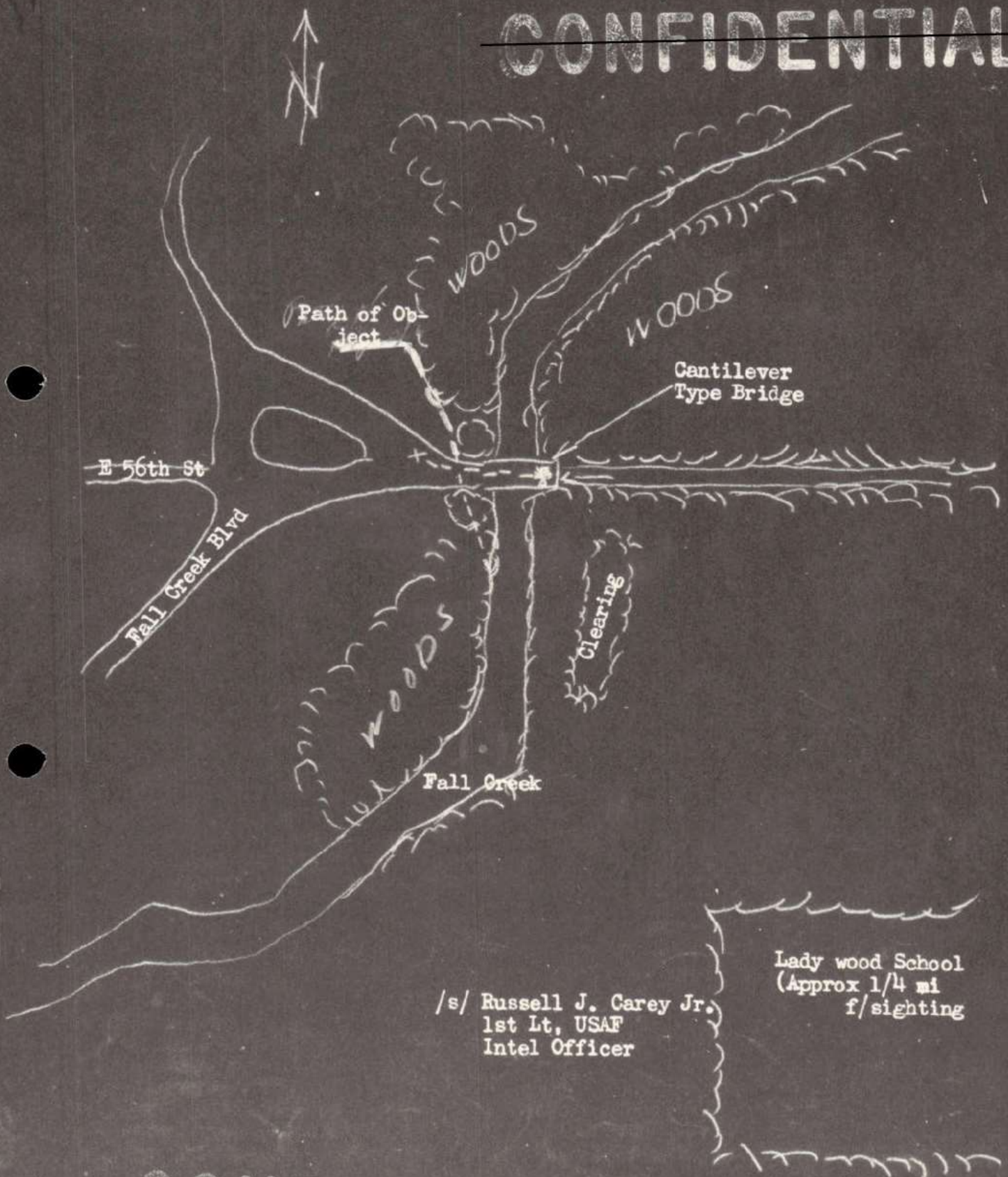

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 152

1. Date 31 July 48
2. Time 0825
3. Location Indianapolis, Indiana (South-Central part)
4. Name of observers Mr. & Mrs Vernon Swigert
5. Occupation of observers ~~XXXXXX~~ an electrician and housewife
6. Address of observers 2020 Boyd St., Indianapolis, Indiana
7. Place of observation As above -
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 10 seconds
11. Altitude 2,000 ft
12. Speed 1800 MPH
13. Direction of flight 90° - east
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound None
16. Size ~~XXXXXXXX~~ - 20 ft in dia. and approx 6 to 8 ft in height in center - Ratio about 3:1
17. Color white with no shine
18. Shape like a cymbal
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Sky clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs 1
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object first perceived in the west. The object was shaped like a cymbal with smooth surfaces and approximately 20 feet in diameter at the base and approximately 6 to 8 feet in height in the center. Ratio was about 3:1. It appeared to be flat white in color with no shine. It traveled extremely fast crossing the sky in approximately 10 seconds (a distance of about 5 miles) on a 90° heading. It maintained a level course and shimmered in the sun giving the appearance of spinning. The altitude was estimated at approximately 2,000 ft. Object made no discernible sound and left no exhaust trail. No openings were noted on the object.

NOTE: Mr. Swigert was standing by open bathroom ~~window~~ window which faces the west when he was attracted by the object in the sky. Couldn't believe his eyes. He rushed into adjoining kitchen and showed his wife the object thru the kitchen window facing south. He ~~thought~~ stated the object appeared large enough to carry one person

NOTE: Investigation conducted by Intel Officer, 1st Lt Russell J. Carey, Jr., on a call from Mr. Swigert. It was noted that visibility was good from both windows for such observation.

No other reports received on this object.

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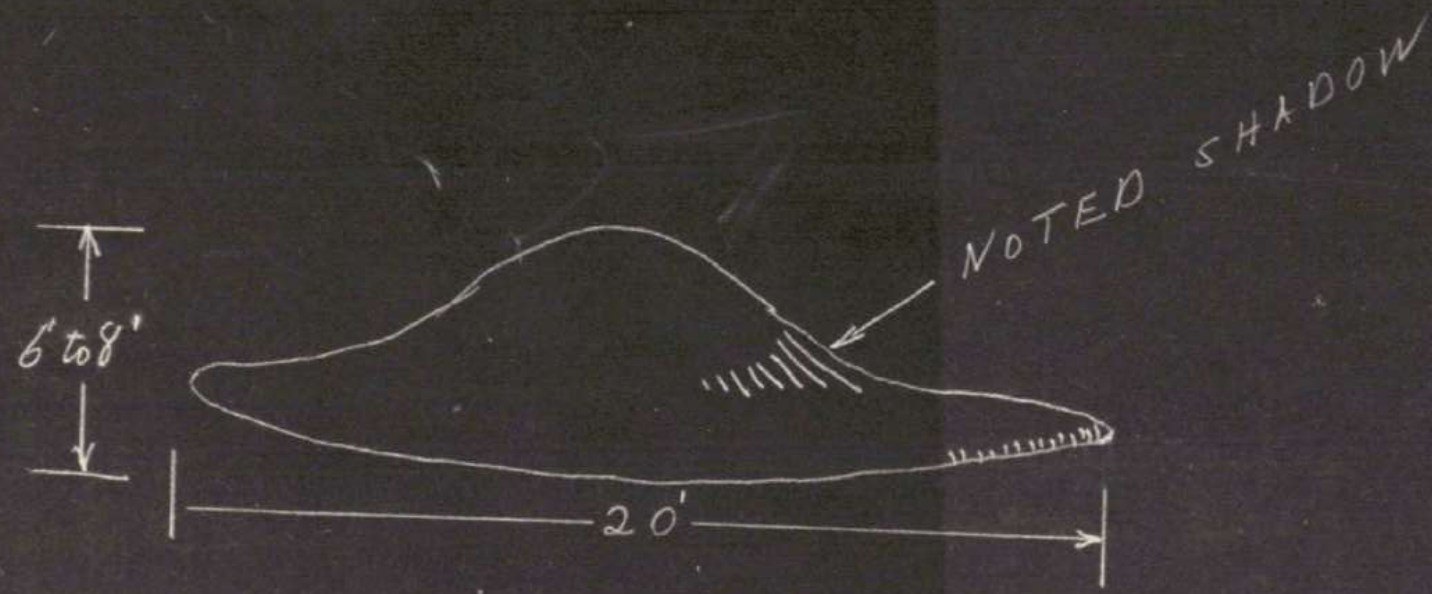

(Ration approx. 3:1)

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 153

1. Date ~~16 August 48~~ 5 August 48
2. Time 0100 hours
3. Location Between Parrott, Ga. and Richland, Ga.
4. Name of observer James Amaral, Former AF Pilot
5. Occupation of observer N/S - but formerly AF pilot
6. Address of observer N/S (Info forwarded f/Turner AF Base)
7. Place of observation Between Parrott, Ga. & Richland, Ga.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 5 to 10 seconds
11. Altitude 20,000 to 35,000 ft
12. Speed ~~XXXXX~~ 3600 MPH (estimated)
13. Direction of flight 250°
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color blue-white streak of light
18. Shape "streak"
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction "rocket-like"
21. Exhaust trails A trail of sparks several miles long followed it
22. Weather conditions CAVU
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness was traveling between Parrott, Ga., and Richland, Ga., in an automobile when he observed a brilliant blue-white streak of light which lasted from 5 to 10 seconds, traveling in an apparent level flight on a heading of approximately 250°, at about 30,000 ft altitude (estimated). After the light disappeared a trail of sparks was observed which appeared several miles long. This trail lasted from 45 seconds to (1) minute

NOTE: Mr. Amaral did not believe this to be any celestial but based on his experience as a pilot in the AF, he stated it appeared to be a burst of power applied to a rocket or rocket ship.

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Incident # 154

1. Date 2 Aug 48
2. Time 1945 hours
3. Location Columbus, Ohio
4. Name of observer Charles Saunders
5. Occupation of observer Attorney
6. Address of observer 265-1/2 South High St
7. Place of observation Yard of 1337 Clifton Ave., Columbus, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 10-15 minutes
11. Altitude 1,500 to 2000 ft
12. Speed 15 MPH
13. Direction of flight Moving south from the north
14. Tactics Constant slow speed - Once it hesitated & thin trail of smoke issued from opposite direction of travel. Changed position assuming different shapes
15. Sound None
16. Size Judged to be about 20 to 30 ft in diameter
17. Color N/S. Perimeter: constant grey-black. Center: transparent.
18. Shape Changing. First: side-view: Parallelogram. Second: circular then reverted to original form
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails thin trail of smoke
22. Weather conditions CAVU
23. Effect on clouds No clouds
24. Sketches or photographs 4 sketches
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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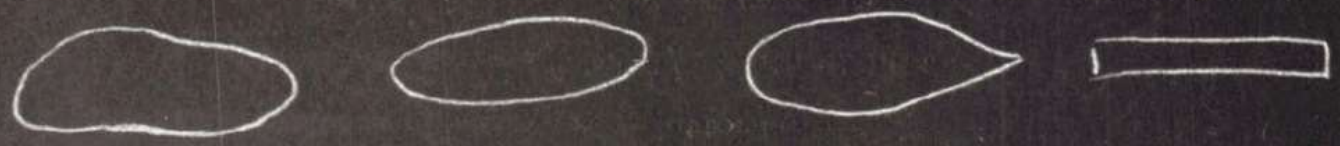
On 2 Aug 48 at approx 1945 a round object which appeared to be about 20 to 30 ft in diameter was observed moving in southerly direction from the north over center of Columbus. Had constant grey-black perimeter with a transparent center. The blue sky could be observed through this grey-black perimeter while it moved at a constant, slow speed of about 15 MPH. It made no noise of any kind. Once it hesitated in its movements and a thin trail of smoke issued from the opposite direction of travel. The smoke soon disappeared and was not seen again during the 10 to 15 minutes object was visible to the observer. The object changed position - but not direction of travel - three times. When first seen, it evidently presented a side view which was a parallelogram in shape. (See). Slowly its position altered and it became circular in form, only to revert after a time to its original form. The altitude was judged to be some 1500 to 2000 ft above ground.

Agent's Note: Saunders drew the following sketches



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The above drawings constitute four positions of one phase. The object passed thru three of these phases during the 15 minute period.

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Incident # 154a

1. Date 2 ~~18~~ Aug 48
2. Time 7:50 P. M.
3. Location Columbus, Ohio
4. Name of observer Jaymes Saunders, A. B., M. A.
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 1337 Clifton Ave, Columbus, Ohio
7. Place of observation Columbus, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 15 minutes
11. Altitude ~~N/S~~ 1/2 mile high
12. Speed slow and regular speed
13. Direction of flight from North to South to Southwest
14. Tactics/ N/S Oblong to circular to oblong change in shape
15. Sound None
16. Size of small plane
17. Color N/S
18. Shape Changing but circular for the most part
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails tail of smoke
22. Weather conditions Unusually favorable for observation. Light sufficient without interference from sun's rays.
23. Effect on clouds Cloudless
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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On 2 Aug 48, at 7:50 P. M. Mrs. Saunders observed an unusual object in the sky. Her attention was directed toward it because some neighborhood children were looking toward the north. She called her husband, Charles Saunders, (Inc 154) to witness the phenomenon. The sky was cloudless and the light more than sufficient, without interference from the rays of the sun which were hidden by the buildings of the city.

Object first appeared oblong in shape and was traveling from north to south at a slow, regular speed. at a height of a half mile. During the 15 minutes under observation the object traveled approx 7-1/2 miles. Although it did not change its course, it presented different appearances from time to time. From oblong to circular then to oblong. Object went thru this change three different times until observer lost sight of it. However, for the most part it presented a circular appearance. Outline very dark in contrast with the transparency of the center. Only when the shape appeared circular was observer aware of the center being a void. Once it hesitated momentarily, observer noticed a tail of smoke emanating from the rear, after which the object continued in a southerly direction. This tail of smoke was observed but once. The size appeared to be that of a small plane. It made no sound altho at one time observer thought she detected one. At approx 8:00 P. M. observer lost sight of the object just as it appeared to be changing direction from South to Southwest.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 155

1. Date ~~1630~~ 31 July 48
2. Time 1630
3. Location 480 N. Monroe Ave., Columbus, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mrs. Edward G. Watson
5. Occupation of observer Housewife
6. Address of observer 480 N. Monroe Ave., Columbus, Ohio
7. Place of observation Columbus, Ohio
8. Number of objects 6 or 7
9. Distance of object from observer Very great distance away
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S - very great
12. Speed Hovering
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics Hovering -hanging in the sky
15. Sound N/S -
16. Size of an ash tray
17. Color gold
18. Shape starlike
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions CAVU - bright sunlight
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness Statement:

Objects first looked like large stars. They seemed to be at a very great distance and appeared to be about the size of an ash tray. There were approximately six or seven of them in a formation that resembled the shape of the big dipper. Did not have a definite shape individually but just seemed to be a group of spots glittering in the sky. They were gold in color and seemed to be just hanging in the sky. The sky was clear and blue and the sun was shining but do not believe the gold color caused by a reflection of the sun.

Corroborated by truck driver but witness could not obtain his name.

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Incident # 156

1. Date 31 July 48
2. Time 8:00 P. M.
3. Location Columbus, Ohio - Tremont Rd near WOSU radio tower located near University Golf Course
4. Name of observer Mrs. Martin Price & Mrs. Mary Rippetoe
5. Occupation of observer Mrs. Price: housewife
   Mrs. Mary Rippetoe: mother of Mrs. Price
6. Address of observer 2186 Lamont Ave., Columbus, Ohio
7. Place of observation Tremont Rd near WOSU Radio Tower
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 250 feet
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 250 feet
12. Speed very slow
13. Direction of flight West to East
14. Tactics Did not change course or altitude
15. Sound No noise
16. Size of gasoline drum - Approx 5' x 6'
17. Color ~~XXX~~ Black
18. Shape Oblong
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Spouted black smoke from the top
22. Weather conditions Clear with no clouds
23. Effect on clouds No clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (above)

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On Saturday evening, 31 July 48, at approximately 8:00 P. M. , while driving south on Tremont Road as observers approached the WOSU Radio Tower located on the University Golf Course, a large object resembling a huge lantern was seen floating in the sky. The weather was clear, and it was still daylight so object could be seen quite clearly. It was oblong in shape and about the size of a gasoline drum. It was coming from the west and moving very slowly. It passed close to the tower and was about 1/2 the height of the tower from the ground. As it passed overhead traveling east, it spouted black smoke from the top and at the bottom on the left side there was a dull enclosed light like that of a lamp. The object did not change its course or altitude but continued on to the east with black smoke trailing behind. The object was black. It did not make any noise. There were no wings visible nor did it have any motor. No openings of any kind could be seen.

NOTE: Another car stopped near them with two occupants who claimed that they had never witnessed anything like it before.

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Incident # 157

1. Date 31 July 48
2. Time 8:00 P. M.
3. Location Columbus, Ohio
4. Name of observer Robert C. Goshorn
5. Occupation of observer Teletype Operator
6. Address of observer State Highway Patrol Radio Station
7. Place of observation Near Golf Driving Range, Columbus, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Object was balloon which fell to earth & was investigated by observer
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Came to earth from around 100 ft (when first observed)
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight earthward
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 2 ft x 3-1/2 ft
17. Color white crepe paper
18. Shape N/S - but said to be like old time "County Fair" balloon - round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. ~~Apparent~~ construction crepe paper
21. Exhaust trails smoking - caused by large ball of waste material
22. Weather conditions N/S - (clear - see Incident: 156)
23. Effect on clouds N/S (no clouds)
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Fell to earth where it was retrieved.
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object was perceived floating in the sky coming from the west over Ohio State Student Housing Project and was approximately 100 feet off the ground when first observed. It got lower all the time and landed in a field nearby. Three small boys ran toward it and observer went over to investigate. Saw paper bag affair approx 2 feet in diameter and 3-1/2 feet long made of white crepe paper. (like old time "County-Fair" hot air balloons) It was smoking when first observed and this was caused by a large ball of waste material which was fastened underneath it. There were no marks or writing on it

Note: See Incident 156 - in which time & direction tally.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 158

1. Date 1 Aug 48
2. Time 2:00 P. M.
3. Location ~~XXXXXX~~ Groveport, Ohio
4. Name of observer Harold A. Yantis
5. Occupation of observer Student, ~~X~~
6. Address of observer 25 West Hinman Ave.
7. Place of observation 1 mile west of Groveport, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude ~~N/S~~ very high
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight in westerly direction against a light wind
14. Tactics N/S - just exhaust visible - smoke pattern dark & very large dispersed rapidly and appeared again as wide streak a mile or so in length twisted from wide to narrow streak and back.
15. Sound No sound
16. Size N/S - object not seen
17. Color N/S - object not seen
18. Shape Just a streak observed
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction ~~N/S~~ An exhaust trail (smoke)
21. Exhaust trails Appeared as black cloud with no definite shape but looked like an anti-aircraft shell a few seconds after it exploded
22. Weather conditions ~~cloudy - white clouds~~ Few white clouds - but clear
23. Effect on clouds black cloud silhouetted among them that moved
24. Sketches or photographs 3 figs.
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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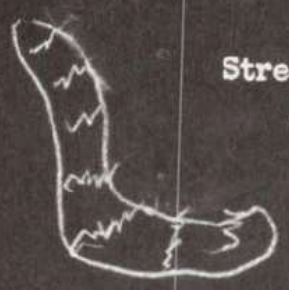
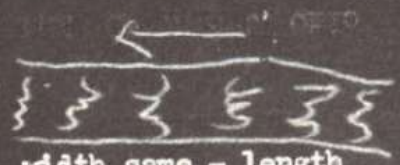
Observer noticed what appeared to be a small black cloud between two white ones. Seemed peculiar because the weather was clear and there were a few white clouds in the sky - but no other dark clouds or formations of any kind. The black cloud did not have any definite shape but looked like an anti-aircraft shell a few seconds after it explodes. Suddenly it stretched out into a wide streak with smaller vertical streaks, then rapidly turned and twisted, moving into a different direction and disappearing. In three or four seconds, the smoke burst appeared again spontaneously, approximately 20° west of the place where first noticed. Smoke pattern dark, very large, and dispersed rapidly, appearing again as a wide streak a mile or so in length which appeared to twist from a wide to a narrow streak and then back again changing direction as it twisted. Moving in westerly direction against light wind. Plainly visible altho far away and very high. No sound heard. Seemed like a streak that would be made if a flying wing with several engines was banking and turning and leaving exhaust trails.

Note: Yantis was in the war and had seen a lot of anti-aircraft shells burst and many vapor trails from planes but had never observed anything like this. He states: "It was so spontaneous like a rubber band which is round, then suddenly is stretched at length and twisted, and then disappears without a trace."

Agent's Note: Yantis drew the sketches below



Streak twisted and turned - suddenly disappeared



width same - length
estimated at 1 to 2 miles

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Incident # 159

1. Date 30 July 1948
2. Time 2015 hours
3. Location Worthington, Ohio
4. Name of observer John A. Felton
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer 5800 High St, Worthington, Ohio
7. Place of observation Worthington, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 15 minutes
11. Altitude Approx 3000 ft
12. Speed very slow
13. Direction of flight SW
14. Tactics None
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color silver
18. Shape cylindrical
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Clear with high scattered clouds, visibility good
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object appeared cylindrical in shape with no apparent wings or tail surfaces. No standard marker lights were displayed and there were no engine noises. The object emitted a steady silver glow.

Altitude was judged to be approximately 3000 ft and the object was moving very slowly in a southwest course. It was in line of vision some 15 minutes. No other aircraft, military or civilian were in vicinity of Felton's hearing or vision. The sky was clear with high scattered clouds and the visibility was good.

NOTE: Felton questioned by Maj Campbell of the USAF, but nothing further was gained by this interview with the exception that his wife also saw the object.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 160

1. Date 4 July 48
2. Time 11:15 P. M.
3. Location Dravasburg, Pa.
4. Name of observer John Jannicky, Jr.
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Box 227, Dravasburg, Pa.
7. Place of observation Dravasburg, Pa.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 20 seconds +
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Hovering - then moving on at undetermined speed
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics moved across sky, stopping three times and resuming movement
15. Sound No noise
16. Size of a star
17. Color same as a star
18. Shape looked like a star
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs Vague sketch
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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On 4 July 48 at approx. 11:15 P. M., OST, witness and his wife thought they saw a star moving. There was a light in the sky the same color and size of a star which was moving. ~~At first they thought it was a plane but the thing made no noise then realized that a plane does not stop in the air like this object did.~~ Then they thought it was a plane but it made no noise. The object moved across the sky, then changed its course a bit and went straight and stopped again for about 5 seconds, changed its course a bit and went straight for awhile and stopped again this time for at least 15 seconds, then it went across the sky a little ways and disappeared completely. When the object stopped in the sky, it resembled a star and only by following its course could the difference be noticed.

NOTE: Witness states that he lives some 2-1/2 miles from the two woman (McKeesport, Pa.) who reported seeing a big silver plate zooming noiselessly overhead in the direction of Kennywood Park. See Inc. 161.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 161

1. Date Around July 8, 48
2. Time N/S
3. Location McKeesport, Pa.
4. Name of observer Mrs. Nell Veway & Mrs. Elizabeth Goltz
5. Occupation of observer housewife
6. Address of observers Mrs Veway: 3404 Grover Ave) McKeesport, Pa.
   Mrs Goltz: 2604 Grover Ave.
7. Place of observation McKeesport, Pa.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S - toward Kennywood Park
14. Tactics N/S
15. Soumd noiseless
16. Size 12 to 15 inches in dia.
17. Color silver
18. Shape "plate"
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds disappeared in cloud bank
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared in cloud bank
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness saw what looked like a "big, silver plate" zooming noiselessly overhead in the direction of Kennywood Park.

"Oh look, that's not a plane, screamed Mrs. Veway of 3404 Grover to her neighbor, Mrs. Goltz, 3604 Grover, "it lookes like one of those flying saucers."

Mrs. Veway said the disc was about 12 to 15 inches in diameter. It disappeared in a cloud bank but reappeared on the far side and was seen by Mrs. Goltz. They followed the direction of the disc until out of sight.

NOTE: Taken from the Daily News "McKeesport, Pa. - July 8, 1948.

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Incident # 162

1. Date 11 Aug 48
2. Time 1200 and 1215 hours CST
3. Location Hamel, Minnesota
4. Name of observer Jerome Leuer (age 10 and Benne Leuer (age 8)
5. Occupation of observer children
6. Address of observer R/R 1 Hamel, Minnesota
7. Place of observation As above - back yard
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer a matter of a few feet
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude rested on ground -
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight After resting on ground it ascended to a height of 30 feet and shot off in a northeasterly direction
14. Tactics spun once, made whistling noise, shot straight up 20 ft, halted and again made whistling noise. Maneuvered around tree branches & tele wires.
15. Sound whistling noise - like steam whistle
16. Size 1 ft thick - 2 feet wide
17. Color dull gray
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance into northeast
26. Remarks: (over)

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Informants stated that on 11 Aug 48 between 1200 and 1215 hours, CST, Jerome and Benno were playing in the back yard and noticed an object in descent approximately twelve feet from the ground which was descending between the two of them. It settled to the ground gently - much as a balloon. Upon hitting the ground the object spun once, made a sort of whistling noise, described by the two boys as resembling a steam whistle, and then shot straight up into the air approximately 20 feet, halted and again made a whistling noise. The object then shop upward to a height of about 30 feet, and, in this ascent, maneuvered around tree branches and telephone wires. Upon reaching a height of approximately 30 feet the object shot off in a northeasterly direction. The object approached from the northwest.

The boys described the object as "approximately one foot thick, two feet side and round." The object had no windows, wires, or any visible appurtenances. It was a dull gray in color and when it hit the ground, it made a slight clanking noise, much as metal hitting against metal.

Philip and Mrs Leuer stated the boys were visibly frightened when they ran into the house and were afraid to tell what they had seen. Upon close questioning, the boys related the above story to them.

Mr. Leuer advised that he then had notified Mr. E. R. Sheridan, Postmaster at Hamel, Minnesota (who subsequently notified the proper authorities)

AGENTS NOTES: Agent noted that the spot where the alleged "flying saucer" had landed was approximately 2 feet in diameter and appeared as though some heavy object had landed there or had been set down - as the ground was dented and protruding rocks had been leveled. The spot was covered by a washtub.

Mr. E. R. Sheridan, Postmaster, advised that he had no reason to doubt the story of the boys or of Mr. and Mrs. Leuer, and for this reason had reported the matter to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, St. Paul, Minn.

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Incident # 163

1. Date 22 July 48
2. Time hour before dark
3. Location Van Nuys, Calif
4. Name of observer Capt Henry Glover & wife (Ord-Res)
5. Occupation of observer Ordnance Reserve Officer
6. Address of observer 8531 Variel Ave., Canoga Park, Calif
7. Place of observation Van Nuys, Calif.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer ~~2000xft~~ overhead
10. Time in sight ~~N/Sx~~ about an hour
11. Altitude great height
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight toward the sun from the East or ~~WxxxE~~ E to W
14. Tactics traveled a vertical arc of about 25° or more
15. Sound N/S
16. Size of weather balloon at 2000 ft
17. Color bluish luminescence like fluorescent lamp which gradually changed to orange color at dusk
18. Shape round tending to spherical
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions CAVU ground temperature 70-75°
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance snapped off like a lamp when you throw switch
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Object appeared round and probably spherical. At first looked similar to weather balloon at about 2000 ft but there was no characteristic bobbing. The wind was blowing on the ground with fair strength and gusty yet the object was quite steady. In the time it was under observation (about an hour) it traveled thru a vertical arc of about 25° or more. After watching the object for a while the observer concluded that whatever it was the thing was at great height but not a star. It had a bluish luminescence like a fluorescent lamp and as the sun set the color gradually changed to an orange color at dusk and finally snapped off like a lamp when the switch is thrown. The outline was clear and sharp and symetrical (no fuzziness or blurring), the air clear with visibility unlimited. Direction of travel from East directly toward the sun.

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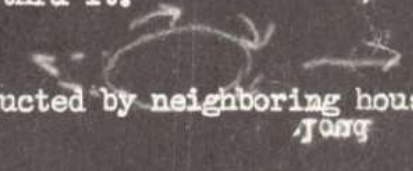
Incident # 164 ~~164a~~

1. Date 29th June
2. Time 11 P. M.
3. Location Uniontown, Pa.
4. Name of observer Mrs. Catherine McDonald
5. Occupation of observer N/S ~~widow~~ widow
6. Address of observer 38 Kensington Circle, Uniontown
7. Place of observation Uniontown, Pa. - Observer's front porch
8. Number of objects three - one at a time
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 5000 ft
12. Speed Very fast
13. Direction of flight NE
14. Tactics spinning vertically on edge
15. Sound none
16. Size N/S
17. Color luminous
18. Shape oval
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S - transparent
21. Exhaust trails trail of light about 1 yard long
22. Weather conditions stormy and cloudy
23. Effect on clouds N/S - flew across sky beneath base of clouds - lightning could be seen thru it.
24. Sketches or photographs vague sketch -



25. Manner of disappearance lost sight of - obstructed by neighboring houses along
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness saw a luminous, oval-shaped object flying at an altitude of approx 5,000 ft which was traveling beneath the base of some clouds from southwest to northeast across the sky. The weather was stormy and cloudy and as a second object flew across the sky a flash of lightning could be seen thru it. It seemed to be transparent. The objects(3) traveled very fast and seemed to just disappear within 10 seconds. The objects appeared at approximately five minute intervals. There was no odor or sound from them. However, a trail of light about a yard long was observed. The objects rolled vertically on their edges and appeared to be spinning on end across the sky. Witnesses lost sight of the objects as neighboring houses obstructed their view.

Witnesses: Mrs. Margaret Hollar
Police Sergeant Shuh & his daughter

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Incident # 165

1. Date 26 July 1948
2. Time 2100 E
3. Location Chamblee, Ga.
4. Name of observer Doyle L. Avery et al
5. Occupation of observer Observer, Atlanta Naval Air Base
6. Address of observer Atlanta Naval Air Base, Chamblee, Ga.
7. Place of observation Observation tower
8. Number of objects 1 blue white light
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S - like shooting star
13. Direction of flight SE turning S and gaining altitude
14. Tactics straight & level & gaining altitude
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color blue-white light
18. Shape N/S - object not seen
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction like shooting star
21. Exhaust trails N/S - possibly the blue white light was the exhaust
22. Weather conditions 2/10 cirrus at 25,000 ft; 1 to 4/10 of lower strato-cirrus at 5,000 ft. Visibility 12 to 15 miles. Surf wind light & variable 2-5 MPH
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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~~[illegible]~~, Doyle L. Avery Observer, Atlanta Naval Air Base, Chamblee, Ga., while on duty at the observation tower on 26 July 48 about 2100 hours sighted a blue-white light traveling southeast from the northeast It was traveling very fast and maintained a uniform altitude (undetermined) and speed. It looked like a shooting star except for the fact that it maintained the same altitude. While under observation it then appeared to gain altitude and then turned sharply to the south. The weather was clear and still. There was no sound. Shortly after sighting the light several residents of the area called and reported seeing the same thing. No flights left or arrived at the station after 1910 hours on 26 July 48.

165a Witnesses of this phenomena who were interviewed made statements as follows: On 26 July 48 they were seated on the lawn of the Georgia School of Technology Housing Project at Chamblee, Ga. About 2045 hours Mrs. John Gall sighted a strange light and called it to the attention of her companions. The light appeared about the size of a football and was traveling southeast on a steady course. It was green and faded into a silver-colored tail. The light appeared ~~appeared~~ to lose altitude slowly much the same as a plane coming in for a landing. It appeared to fade away in flight as if extinguished. No sound was heard.

Witnesses: Mr. & Mrs. Harold Shaw
Mr. Robert Sebring
Mrs. Jeanne Hill
Mrs. Myrtle Renfroe
Mrs. John Gall

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Incident # 166

1. Date 30 Aug 48
2. Time 20,000 hours or 8:00 P. M.
3. Location Los Angeles, Calif.
4. Name of observer S/Sgt Leroy H. Estes
5. Occupation of observer S/Sgt
6. Address of observer ~~N/S~~ 1301 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles
7. Place of observation 1301 W. Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles, Calif.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude estimated to be well over 20,000 ft.
12. Speed thought to be well over 700 MPH
13. Direction of flight ~~West to East~~
14. Tactics none - flew level course
15. Sound No sound
16. Size Larger than B-29
17. Color silver
18. Shape V-2 rocket
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction rocket - like
21. Exhaust trails blue exhaust trail
22. Weather conditions ~~N/S~~ Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object resembled the fuselage of a V-2 rocket - but much larger. S/Sgt Estes stated that it was much larger than a B-29 and silver in color and that it completely filled the lens of a 10 B-80 field glass which was taken from a German 88 mm artillery piece. Each lens was 8" in diamter. Speed estimated to be well over 700 MPH, and object was traveling at an altitude of well over 20,000 ft. No sound was heard Left a blue exhaust trail. Object traveling from west to east. Only one object sighted.

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Incident # 167

1. Date 6 May 1948
2. Time 0905 GCT
3. Location 19° 08' N - 164° 05' E between Kwajalein Island, Marshall Islands and Hickam Field.,
4. Name of observer Capt Floyd Barnes
5. Occupation of observer Pilot USAF
6. Address of observer Pacific Division, Milit Air Trans Service
7. Place of observation Ahead & above his plane
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 4 to 5 miles
10. Time in sight split second
11. Altitude 10,000 ft
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics exploded like a shell
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color white
18. Shape ball
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction ~~N/S~~ "fire"
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions 5/10 cloud coverage
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance exploded
26. Remarks: (over)

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A large white ball of fire was observed some four to five miles directly ahead of and slightly above the aircraft. It was observed for only a split second and was comparable to the explosion of a shell There were no streamers or "tails" observed such as usually related to a meteor or a distress signal. As the aircraft approached the approximate position where the ball of fire was observed a single white light was seen on the water surface. However, this disappeared within a few seconds after sighting because of the existing cloud coverage. More lights were immediately observed on the water surface some 10 miles north of the plane's course. It is the opinion of the witness (Capt Barnes) that these were from a surface vessel. Some 10 minutes elapsed after these lights were observed on the water surface when an aircraft was sighted flying a reciprocal course (240°) at about 1000 ft below the observers's aircraft and slightly to the right of the course. Capt Barnes made numerous attempts to contact this aircraft on Channel "B" and "C", "VHF" but acknowledgment of his transmission was never received.

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Incident # 168

1. Date 20 July 1948
2. Time 1330 local
3. Location Obrechstreet, Arnhem, The Hague
4. Name of observer A. D. Otter
5. Occupation of observer Chf. Investigator of Court of Damage
6. Address of observer Arnheim, The Hague
7. Place of observation 52° 30' N, 4° 30' E
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude very high
12. Speed high speed - comparable to V-2
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound Same as V-2
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape Aircraft with 2 decks and no wings
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions visibility unlimited - scattered clouds
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S

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26. Remarks: Object appeared to be wingless aircraft with two decks. It was traveling at very high altitude and was seen four times intermittently thru clouds. Visibility: unlimited.

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Incident # 169

1. Date 29 Aug 48
2. Time 0530
3. Location Maplewood, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mr. Faby Niswonger
5. Occupation of observer farmer
6. Address of observer RD #1, Maplewood, Ohio. Phone: Jackson Central 8-OF42
7. Place of observation Maplewood, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics Arose from behind woods - seemed to unravel a silver substance that floated earthward
15. Sound N/S
16. Size large
17. Color silver
18. Shape sphere
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails - silver substance (?)
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Disintegrated in mid-air
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness observed a large silver-colored sphere which seemed to arive from behind his woods and continued to float across his farm. While in flight it seemed to unravel a silver substance which floated earthward. While under observation it disintegrated in mid-air.

NOTE: Witness seemed very conscientious and sincere while relating this incident. Subject arose while witness was talking to a man from this Command (MCIAXP) when an airplane chanced to fly overhead.

INCIDENT SUMMARY SHEET
(To be filled out and retained in files)

1. Date of Observation On or about 5 May 1948 Incident # 170

2. Time of Observation . . . . . .

3. Where was Object(s) Sighted . Adapazari, Turkey . . . . . .

4. Observer's Position . Ground- in village near Adapazari, Turkey . . . . . .
(i.e. ground, air, control tower, etc.)

5. Name and Address of Observer . News item extracted from "Yeni Sabah". . . . .
Istanbul, 5 May 1948. . . . . .

6. Occupation and/or Hobbies . . . . . .

7. Attention Attracted to Object (s) By . . . . . .

8. Number of Object(s) Sighted .1. . . . . .

9. Size of Object(s) . . . . . .

10. Color of Object(s) . Shining . . . . . .

11. Shape (Sketch if Possible) . . . . . .

12. Nature of Luminosity . . . . . .

13. Estimated Distance of Object from Observer . . . . . .

14. Speed of Object(s) . . . . . .

15. Time in Sight . . . . . .

16. Tactics . . . . . .

17. Sound Made by Object(s) . . . . . .

18. Direction of Flight of Object(s) . . . . . .

19. Apparent Construction (Of What Material or Substance) . . . . . .

20. Effect of Objects on Clouds and/or Exhaust Trail . . . . . .

21. Weather Conditions Existing at the Time . . . . . .

22. Peculiarities Noted . Exploded in the air . . . . . .

23. Summary of Incident -. Item from Turkish newspaper. "Yeni Sabah" Istanbul, . . .
5 May 1948: Quote-" There have been reports lately to the effect that shining objects like meteors have been sighted in various parts of the country. Cont'd
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Some people suggest that these might be rockets. Information received from authorized circles reveals that such a thing passed over Adapazari and was seen to explode in the air. Parts of it fell into a village nearby and killed a sheep dog. The thing was found to be a rocket and the debris will be inspected by experts. Obers End Quote".

Observers say that the rocket which is claimed to have come from the northwest was flying at an altitude of 200 meters over Adapazari before it fell.

According to rumors , it is possible that the rocket is connected with the "flying disc" experiments being conducted by the Russians at the station on Mt. Alagoz close to the Eastern frontiers.

Source: NA Ankara, Turkey, 10 May 1948, Serial 86-48, Eval F-O

Comment: Air Attache, Ankara, Turkey has been requested to investigate this incident fully and encourage Turkish General Staff to do likewise. Whether incident can be confirmed or not Air Attache has been directed to determine sources for information contained in Yeni Sabah article.

INCIDENT SUMMARY SHEET
(To be filled out and retained in files)

1. Date of Observation 3 Aug 1948 . . . . **Incident # 171**

2. Time of Observation . Sunset . . . . . .

3. Where was Object(s) Sighted About 25 km (19-20 miles) NW of Moscow . . . . . .

4. Observer's Position . Ground . . . . . .
(i.e. ground, air, control tower, etc.)

5. Name and Address of Observer . . Moscow, USSR . . . . . .

6. Occupation and/or Hobbies American Newspaper Correspondent . . . . . .

7. Attention Attracted to Object (s) By Came into line of sight . . . . . .

8. Number of Object(s) Sighted . 1 . . . . . .

9. Size of Object(s) . . . . . .

10. Color of Object(s) . Shone brightly . . . . . .

11. Shape (Sketch if Possible) . long-narrow . . . . . .

12. Nature of Luminosity . . . . . .

13. Estimated Distance of Object from Observer . . . . . .

14. Speed of Object(s) . high but not excessive . . . . . .

15. Time in Sight . . . . . .

16. Tactics . . . . . .

17. Sound Made by Object(s) . none . . . . . .

18. Direction of Flight of Object(s) . Southwest-Northwest direction . . . . . .

19. Apparent Construction (Of What Material or Substance) Apparently metallic . . .

20. Effect of Objects on Clouds and/or Exhaust Trail . . . . . .

21. Weather Conditions Existing at the Time . sunny . . . . . .

22. Peculiarities Noted . wingless-long and narrow . . . . . .

23. Summary of Incident . . See attached sheet . . . . . .

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About Sunset on 3 Aug 1948, about 25 kilometers (20miles) northwest of Moscow an experienced American newspaper reporter saw an unidentified object at very high altitude. It was long and narrow and proceeded at a high but not excessive speed in a generally south-west- northeast direction. It shone very brightly probably from reflected sunlight. No wings could be seen and no sound was heard. It looked like a rigid airship and was so identified by a Russian acquaintance who saw it at the same time. However, the reporter, in spite of the appearance of the object was of the opinion that it was not a rigid airship due principally to its high speed. He had no theory to offer.

NA COMMENT: This object might have been anything. Its speed seems insufficient for a guided missile, but it could have been either a jet or a conventional airplane as unusual light conditions and fore-shortening frequently give aircraft a freakish appearance. The possibility that it was a dirigible should not be excluded. Reference "A" should not be excluded.

REFERENCE A: The upper winds in Russia are not published but it was noted that on the following morning there were high surface winds with storm predictions.

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Incident # 172

1. Date 1 Oct 1948
2. Time 2100 hrs
3. Location Fargo N. Dakota
4. Name of observer George F. Gorman
5. Occupation of observer Manager of Const Co. (Pilot of F-51 in Air N.G.)
6. Address of observer Bldg. 18 Fed Hous Proj Fargo N. Dakota
7. Place of observation from Airplane over Fargo and vicinity
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 1000 yd at the closest point
10. Time in sight 27 minutes
11. Altitude from 1000 to 14000ft
12. Speed much faster than F-51
13. Direction of flight various
14. Tactics several left turns one right turn, diving and climbing
15. Sound None noted
16. Size at closest observation 6 to 8 inches
17. Color clear white
18. Shape round at all times
19. Odor detected none
20. Apparent construction none noted
21. Exhaust trails none seen
22. Weather conditions CAVU
23. Effect on clouds none
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance in steep climb
26. Remarks: Northern lights were visible in the nE. quadrant.

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